

## 'CHRISTIAN FRONT' TERRORISTS SOUGHT IN NATIONAL GUARD

Separate Quiz Ordered  
as 18 Are Jailed  
in Bomb Plot

ANTI-RED GANG

More Arrests Promised  
of Anti-Semitic Mob,  
Arms Captured

Ranking National Guard officers have begun a separate investigation of the "Christian Front" and the connections within the organization of the 18 members of the anti-Semitic and anti-Communist terrorist band who have been arrested by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"Christian Front" leaders on frequent occasion have expressed themselves as fervent followers of Father Coughlin.

Maj. Gen. William N. Haskell, in command of the New York guardsmen, has already relieved Capt. John T. Froot, Jr., one of the conspirators, of his command in the 16th Infantry.

Among the weapons and ammunition seized in raids on the homes of the Coughlinites were 12 Springfield rifles, several thousand rounds of ammunition, guns of other types, and 18 cans of cordite, all allegedly stolen from the national guard by the Christian Fronters who served in it.

### CLAIM 40 COPS IN 'FRONT'

Gen. Haskell, stating that men who stole from the National Guard could be court-martialed, disputed the F. B. I. statement that seven of the prisoners were guardsmen, saying that according to his records only three of them were in the state forces.

Approximately 40 members of the New York Police Department were said yesterday to be members of the Christian Front organization.

Agents of the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League were submitting yesterday a list of these policemen to Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine. Key men in the terrorist band were said to have been especially pleased by the inroads which the band was reported to have been making both in the National Guard and the Police Department.

The F. B. I. announced yesterday that further arrests were expected shortly in the Christian Front.

Seventeen of those arrested were arraigned yesterday before Federal Judge Grover A. Moskowitz on charges of conspiring to overthrow the government of the United States. All pleaded not guilty and were held in \$50,000 bail each for a hearing on Feb. 8.

Among the "objectives" listed as places to be bombed by the Coughlinites was the Daily Worker offices. The terrorists were said to have been in possession of a plan of the building on East 13th St.

Other places listed to be bombed.

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## Soviet-Bulgarian Airline Planned

MOSCOW, Jan. 15 (UP).—A Soviet commission soon will proceed to Sofia, Bulgaria, to complete arrangements for inauguration of a new Moscow-Sofia airline, it was announced today. The line will operate by way of Kiev, Odessa and Varna.

## Two Huge Bakeries Boost Bread Price Here One Cent

Two huge baking companies, supplying a large part of the 1,000,000 loaves of bread sold daily in New York, announced a price increase of one cent a loaf yesterday. Fischer and Ward were the two companies involved.

Other bakers are expected to follow soon, although a few dealers said they did not yet contemplate price increases.

White bread has been selling generally at 10 cents a loaf since September, 1938, when it was decreased from 11.

A spokesman for the Fischer Company would not give a definite breakdown of alleged increased costs to which he attributed the price rise.

A spokesman for Local 50, Bakery and Confectionery Workers Union,

## Vigilantes Used Tax Money to Break Strikes

LaFollette Probe Hears  
Los Angeles Big Shots  
and Sluggers

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15.—The shocking evidence that Los Angeles employers used nearly half a million dollars of taxpayers' money in 1938-1939 to maintain their infamous "open shop" was disclosed in testimony drawn from representatives of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, cops and stool pigeons at the Senate Civil Liberties Committee hearings now being conducted in this city.

This money, the exact amount of which was \$470,250, was turned over by the city Board of Supervisors to the Chamber of Commerce during 1938 and 1939, according to testimony recited in the hearings here.

The parade of witnesses who have graced the hearings to date include big businessmen, ordinary stool pigeons and members of Los Angeles' notorious "red squad." All have admitted with varying degrees of candor that the whole theme of their activities has been to maintain the open shop and that the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants and Manufacturers Association have been the hub of the employers' drive against labor.

### 'SOLE PURPOSE'

Fred R. Fyeh, general manager of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association, upon being questioned, admitted that the sole purpose of his organization has been "to maintain the open shop" in L.A.

"That's been its sole aim and purpose since it was founded in 1898," he declared on the stand.

Franklin Cole, head of the Chamber of Commerce's industrial division, followed Fyeh on the stand and testified that the Chamber worked closely with the Merchants and Manufacturers outfit, indicating that the two organizations were practically synonymous, sharing the burden of driving wages lower and lengthening hours in this strong-hold of the open shop.

Senator Robert M. LaFollette, who has been conducting the hear-

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## FDR Says He Will Ask Congress to Help Mannerheim

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (UP).—President Roosevelt, taking the initiative in proposing American aid to [Mannerheim] Finland, today agreed to ask the Congress to provide "material relief" for the Baltic country.

He reached this decision at a lengthy conference with congressional leaders at which various methods of aiding [White-Guard] Finland were examined. His plea probably will be made in a letter to Vice President John N. Garner and House Speaker William B. Bankhead.

The White House announced the letters will go up tomorrow and that they also will present the views of Secretary of State Cordell Hull and heads of other interested government agencies such as lending Administrator Jesse Jones.

The "Christian Front" has always been one of the most active bodies in the circulation of Coughlin's paper "Social Justice."

## Attention Department of Justice --- Coughlin's Link to 'Christian Front'

## Social Justice

## CHRISTIAN FRONT CARRIES FIGHT INTO MORE STATES

## Units of Militant Christian Front Are Being Formed in Midwest

Units of the Christian Front are being formed in the Midwest, according to a report from a source in the organization.

The report states that the Christian Front is active in the Midwest, and is working to spread its influence in that region.

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## Soviet Planes Bomb Railway, Military Objectives

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, Tuesday, Jan. 16.—The principal activity of the Soviet armed forces in Finland yesterday was the bombing of railway junctions and other military objectives.

The communique, issued by the headquarters staff of the Leningrad military district, said:

"Jan. 15.—On the Murmansk [north Finland], Ukhta and Repola [central Finland] directions, there were activities of scouts and at some places rifle, machine gun and artillery firing.

"On the Petrozavodsk direction [the sector north of Lake Ladoga], clashes of infantry units continued.

"On the Karelian Isthmus there were actions of patrols and light artillery fire.

"The Soviet air force made a number of bombing raids on railway junctions and military objectives."

## Nazis Blame Allies for Lowland Scare

Berlin Says Britain and  
France Seek to Spread  
War in Europe

BRUSSELS, Belgium, Jan. 15 (UP).—Military guards with fixed bayonets were posted at public buildings, railroads, and bridges today after additional troops had been called up to increase Belgium's armed forces to 700,000 men over whom King Leopold assumed supreme command.

Although tension eased, the emergency precautions taken by Belgium did not.

BERLIN, Jan. 15 (UP).—Germany today accused Great Britain and France of purposely inciting unfounded "invasion scares" in Holland, Belgium, Sweden and Norway in an effort to spread the European war and provide the Allies with new bases for operations against the Reich.

The emergency military measures taken by Holland and Belgium over the weekend were the direct result of information given to the Low Countries by the British and French governments, the official D. N. B. Agency said.

Germany, it was asserted, learned of this "incitement" from well-informed quarters in Amsterdam and Brussels.

"The desire on the part of the Western powers to extend the theaters of war and the increase in their belligerent activity obviously played a chief role in the instigations by which the mobilization measures have been increased in Belgium and Holland," an authorized spokesman said.

The D. N. B. statement branding the entire low-land scare as an allied propaganda ploy said:

"In view of the impossibility of activity along the Maginot Line they [Britain and France] now are seeking to provoke Germany in Holland and Belgium.

"We are watchfully waiting to see how far Belgium and Holland will allow themselves to be influenced by this incitement," the spokesman said.

## FDR BUDGET EVADES NEEDS OF JOBLESS MILLIONS, CIO LEADER MURRAY CHARGES

## Soviet Industry Up 14 Per Cent During 1939

Sensational Gain Gives  
Answer to Slanders  
in World Press

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, Jan. 15.—Soviet industry stepped up production by the phenomenal rate of 14.7 per cent last year, defense industry taking the lead with the remarkable advance of 45.5 per cent, it was announced today by the State Planning Commission of the U. S. S. R. Retail sales rose 16.7 per cent.

These figures drew ironic comment from Soviet officials on foreign press reports on the U. S. S. R. "The fabrications and ridiculous lies appearing in the pages of the foreign press about 'failures' of Soviet industry are indeed absurd and pitiful in the light of these figures," they said.

"The stupid prattle of the prostitute hack writers about 'failures' of Soviet industry are worth as much as their fantastic ravings about the 'successes' of the White-Guard Finnish bands."

The State Planning Commission's figures reported not only industrial production in plants operated by industrial commissariats of the U. S. S. R., but also freight carloadings and retail trade sales.

14.7 PER CENT INCREASE  
The production of Soviet industrial plants in 1939 was valued at just short of \$6,500,000,000 rubles. The 14.7 per cent increase over 1938 was not only above the 12 per cent increase made in 1938 over 1937, but also exceeded the stiff require-

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## Hungary Says Parleys Not Anti-Soviet

Ambassador to Moscow  
Presents Denial of  
Press Rumors

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, Jan. 15.—The Hungarian Minister to Moscow yesterday visited Assistant Foreign Commissar Vladimir Potemkin to make an official declaration denying that the recent Italian-Hungarian talks were directed against the U. S. S. R., according to an announcement today.

The statement read:  
"In the recent period tendentious rumors were spread regarding the negotiations recently held in Venice between the Hungarian Foreign Minister, Csaky, and the Italian Foreign Minister, Ciano.

"It is asserted that the above-mentioned Italian-Hungarian negotiations were allegedly directed against the Soviet Union. The Hungarian Government deems it necessary categorically to deny these assertions. The Hungarian Government deems it pertinent to add that the question of the organization of a bloc of any states whatsoever was not discussed in Venice."

The Hungarian Minister requested that this statement be transmitted to the Government of the Soviet Union.



PHILIP MURRAY

## 'Croppers in Capital Plead For U. S. Aid

'Enough Relief to Save  
Us From Starvation,'  
Is Their Appeal

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The petition of 20,000 sharecroppers and cotton plantation workers for "enough relief during the winter months to keep our families from starving" was presented to Administration officials today.

Harassed by threats of mass evictions and disturbed by cuts in relief and farm aid in the new budget, the sharecroppers sent 35 delegates to tell their story to official Washington and to bring the big stack of petitions with them.

The delegates who came here are all sharecroppers themselves, plain-spoken and plainly dressed. Most of the group are Negroes, including several Negro women cotton pickers, and there are also a few white sharecroppers.

As members of the United Cany Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers affiliated with the CIO, the sharecroppers will attend a two-day National Cotton Conference called by the union to discuss the problems of cotton workers in the South.

In addition to relief, the delegation is asking for government action "to stop wholesale evictions, for steps by government agencies to keep decent shelter over our heads," and for regulations requiring landlords to turn over to sharecroppers the benefits which are legally theirs and to pay a minimum wage which they are asking the department of agriculture to fix.

The sharecroppers met in a large room used by the Department of

### FIGHT EVICTIONS

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## Red Army Cites 19th Regiment For Its Valor In Finland

Entire Unit Decorated  
With Order of the  
Red Banner

MOSCOW, Tuesday, Jan. 16 (UP).—The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet has awarded the Order of the Red Banner to the Red Army's 19th Infantry Regiment for "exemplary execution of battle tasks" against Finnish White Guard troops, it was announced today.

The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U. S. S. R. has decreed the award of the Order of the Red Banner to the 19th Infantry Regiment for the exemplary execution of battle tasks assigned by the command in the struggle against the Finnish White Guards and for valor and courage displayed in this struggle.

Assails Firing of WPA  
Workers, 3 Million  
Jobs Needed

ASKS WORK RELIEF

Providing Jobs 'Most  
Important Defense'  
Need, He Says

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 15.—Philip Murray, CIO vice-president, tonight assailed "inadequate provisions" for unemployment relief in President Roosevelt's budget for the coming fiscal year. Speaking over a nation-wide radio hook-up, Murray called for a work relief program which will furnish 3,000,000 jobs to the unemployed as the "absolute minimum."

"The present budget reduces WPA by 650,000 jobs," Murray said. "WPA is completely abolished, NYA and CCC are reduced 15 per cent."

"Yet national defense for the current fiscal year is increased by one-third of a billion dollars. Whilst we have no criticism to make of a sizable appropriation for the federal Congress to defense purposes, yet we do believe the primary interest of the nation itself should be centered upon the most important national defense problem—and that is the solution of the unemployment problem."

MEN LOSE JOBS  
Murray urged that the President "immediately convene a conference of the responsible leaders from the government, industry, labor and agriculture who should be commanded by the government to work at this problem until some concrete plans have been formulated to solve America's problem No. 1."

The CIO leader devoted a considerable portion of his speech to the problem of technological employment which he has studied in the steel industry at first hand as chairman of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee.

"The technological displacement of workers has been especially severe in the steel industry," Murray said. "During the 1930's some 25,000 skilled and semi-skilled hand mill workers were permanently displaced by modern electrically driven continuous strip mills, and an additional 60,000 are on the verge of being displaced. As a result of this displacement, entire communities have been turned into 'ghost' towns."

"In one such steel town not far from Pittsburgh where a large steel corporation once employed 5,700 steel workers, not a single one is now employed, as a consequence, 33 per cent of the 50,000 people in this community are dependent upon government aid for subsistence, while, another 12 per cent are trying to get aid."

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## Hoover Thanks Coughlin for Aid to Mannerheim

Telegraphs Priest He Is  
'Deeply Grateful'

A Word of Appreciation ...  
WESTERN UNION  
2200 35th St., New York, N. Y. 10  
FATHER CHARLES E. COUGHLIN  
JAN 16 1940

MY COLLEAGUES AND I ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR YOUR FINE CONTRIBUTION TO THE FINNISH RELIEF FUND REPORTED TO ME BY MR. GEORGE HEIDEMAN YOUR GENEROUS DEED IS MOST ENCOURAGING TO ALL OF US

HERBERT HOOVER

The above telegram from Mr. President Herbert Hoover, chairman of the Committee on Finnish Relief, is self-explanatory; it acknowledges receipt of the \$1,000 contributed by Father Coughlin on behalf of the League of the Little Flower. Published lists of donors in several instances omitted mention of this contribution.

COUGHLIN SENDS \$1,000 TO MANNERHEIM



## PAPANIN TELLS OF WORK TO RELEASE SEDOV FROM ICE

Crew Gets Fresh Food, Fruit After 2 Years Locked in Floe

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, Jan. 15.—Ivan Papanin, the Soviet Union's beloved Arctic explorer, today continued a series of crisp, dramatic radio dispatches to Moscow on the rescue of the damaged icebreaker Sedov from her 28 months imprisonment in the ice floes of the Arctic Ocean.

Papanin heads the expedition of 187 men aboard the husky Soviet icebreaker Joseph Stalin which battered open a path to the Sedov, which has now drifted into the northern part of the Greenland Sea. The Sedov lost her rudder in an accident and has drifted ever since with a group of scientists aboard.

The Joseph Stalin, the biggest and most powerful icebreaker in the world, reached the Sedov at 12:07 P.M. on Saturday after a furious tussle with jammed pack ice yards thick.

Papanin's latest message over the air waves to his mainland base told of the start of the job of releasing the Sedov from the ice. He reported: "Several hours after our meeting with the Sedov crew we proceeded to carry through the second part of our task."

### CREW REINFORCED

"Twenty-one men from the Stalin's crew were assigned to the Sedov. Mechanics from the Stalin and the Sedov examined the Sedov's engines and hull. We are now releasing the ship's propellers and steering gear from the ice."

"Our chief concern today is to free the ship from the ice into which it froze. The ice floe in which the Sedov is located is four to five yards thick. Its edges are three to four yards from the side of the ship. Freeing the submerged part of the



DR. IVAN PAPANIN

ship's hull from the ice floe is a complicated technical operation and will require much time.

"No less concern is caused by the ship's steering gear. We will make every effort to repair the steering gear so that it can operate, but it is most probable that we shall nonetheless have to tow the Sedov."

"It is probable that we will make for Barentsburg in order that our divers can inspect the submerged part of the Sedov."

"Yesterday we completed loading coal, food supplies and fresh water on the Sedov. The food included fresh fruits."

Yesterday's Pravda carried a wireless article by Papanin heaping praise upon the 15 Soviet seamen and scientists who stayed aboard the Sedov during its drift through the Arctic. The article was significantly entitled, "With the Name of Stalin."

The highlights of this article:

## Soviet Industry Up 14 Per Cent During 1939

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ments placed before the industrial workers and directors of the USSR by the Third Five-Year Plan, which called for an average annual production increase of 14 per cent.

The increases were most marked in the keystone division of Soviet industry—the huge metal, machine-building and chemical plants which furnish the backbone for the rest of Soviet industry and for the socialist country's defenses.

The People's Commissariat of Heavy Industry, encompassing the iron and steel plants, increased production by 13.7 per cent, the People's Commissariat of Machine-Building Industry by 15.1 per cent. The commissariat of non-ferrous metallurgy, including the copper, nickel, chromium, zinc and all metal plants outside the iron and steel industry, showed an increase of 14.1 per cent. The chemical industry commissariat made a rise of 12.6 per cent.

The people's expanding needs are also being filled to a rapidly increasing degree, thanks to the growth of light industry upon the basis of splendid new plants and machinery produced by the heavy industry plants, which received first call in the Soviet Union's mighty industrial development.

Various industrial commissariats turning out articles of mass consumption showed the following increases: textile industry, 8.8 per cent; meat and dairy products, 14.2

ishing, 11.4 per cent; local industries of Union Republics, 12; industrial cooperatives, 21.

This increase in light industry production enabled the Soviet retail trade agencies to increase sales by 16.7 per cent in a single year, a net increase valued at almost 23,500,000 rubles.

The defense industry received exceptionally intensive development, as necessitated by the outbreak of the second imperialist war and the rising threats of war against the Soviet Union. Production of defense industry in 1939 was therefore raised 46.5 per cent over 1938.

The railway industry, which is the lifeline of the entire industrial apparatus of the country, raised the average daily freight loadings to 93,374 in 1939, as compared with 86,046 the preceding year.

The basis for these large increases was in the improved utilization of the higher productivity of labor of the workers, the engineers, the technical and office staffs in industry. Fewer workers were needed to produce a higher quantity of goods, though the total number of workers in industry rose.

The perspective for 1940 was set by Pravda, Soviet Communist Party central organ, in an editorial.

"In 1940," said Pravda, "the Soviet people will strive with the same enthusiasm as before to work for the further strengthening of its socialist industry—the basis for the security, for the defense strength and prosperity of the Soviet fatherland."

## Bring Home Wealth of Scientific Data on Polar Currents

"The drift of the Sedov began on Oct. 23, 1937, in the Laptev Sea somewhat north of the 75th parallel. The crew of the Sedov passed their first winter in the ice together with the crews of the icebreakers Sadko and Malygin. There were 217 persons aboard these three ships."

"At the end of February, 1938, in accordance with a Government decision, an air expedition was sent to the caravan of ships."

"Despite difficult weather conditions, pilots Alekseyev, Golovin and Orlov carried out several flights to the ships and removed 184 persons to the mainland."

### 2 SHIPS FREED

"The remaining 33 people were given sufficient food supplies and warm clothing to last for more than two years. In the summer of the same year, Stalin and the Government gave instructions to the Chief of the Northern Sea Route Administration to conduct operations for leading the ships out of the ice."

"The execution of this complicated task was assigned to the powerful icebreaker Yermak. After a hard struggle with the ice, losing two of its three propellers, the Yermak reached the region of the ships' drift and led the Sadko and the Malygin into clear water."

"But the Sedov's rudder was seriously damaged. It was necessary to leave her in the ice."

"And so since August 29, 1938, the Sedov has been drifting alone. We could have transferred the entire Sedov crew to the Yermak and thus abandon the ship. From the viewpoint of narrow-minded profit-seeking business men that is what should have been done."

"But such are not the traditions of Soviet seamen. The Sedov crew vowed to leave their ship only when it was securely moored in port. And they kept their vow."

### AID TO NAVIGATION

"The Sedov's drift was planned to enrich science with valuable material concerning the unexplored and partially explored regions of the Central Arctic. It was necessary to learn the laws governing the ice drift in the central Polar basin. Various cold and warm currents intersect there which create the conditions of Arctic navigation."

"The Sedov men studied the nature and the direction of the ice drift, observed weather conditions, carried out magnetic and gravitational observations, measured the depth of the ocean, studied the physical and chemical qualities of sea ice and sea water, etc."

"The drifting ship was transformed into a genuine floating scientific research station. The entire crew was drawn into scientific work. During the two-year drift the richest collection of material was made, the entire value of which it is even difficult to conceive at present."

"Quite a number of branches of human knowledge will be greatly supplemented. The Sedov men will assist the entire army of Polar explorers to fulfill expediently and thoroughly the decisions of the 18th Party Congress to transform the Northern Sea Route into a water thoroughfare for normal navigation."

"The Sedov men performed their work in an atmosphere of love and support from the entire Soviet people, and of solicitude and attention on the part of the government, the Communist Party and of its leader, Comrade Stalin."

"The Sedov men return to their fatherland as victors."

## Mme. Chiang Visits War Orphans



Mme. Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the Generalissimo, is saluted by war orphans at Chungking, the Chinese Government's temporary capital, as she arrives at their camp to distribute gifts.

## Stalin, Molotov Hail Sedov Crew and Their Rescuers

Congratulate Sedov Men As Heroes; Describe Rescue Work As "Brilliantly Executed"; Country Awaits Their Return

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, Jan. 15.—Joseph Stalin and Vyacheslav Molotov today sent the following radiogram of congratulations to Ivan Papanin, head of the rescue expedition aboard the icebreaker Joseph Stalin, to Captain Belusov, master of the Stalin and to his crew:

"Accept our gratitude for the brilliant execution of the first part of the task of escorting the icebreaker Sedov out of the ice of the Greenland Sea. Ardent greetings!"

Stalin and Molotov sent the following radiogram to Captain Badgyn of the icebreaker Sedov, to Communist Party Organizer Trofimov and to the crew:

"We congratulate you and the entire crew of the Sedov upon the successful overcoming of the difficulties of the heroic drift in the Arctic Ocean. We are awaiting your return to Moscow. Ardent greetings!"

## Vigilantes Used Tax Money to Break Strikes

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ings, himself produced minutes of a Chamber of Commerce meeting which revealed that the Chamber had led a drive in the Los Angeles Times to fight NIRA at the time of its inception.

A letter from R. D. Sangster, industrial manager of the C. of C. in 1934, to A. G. Arnold, director of the M. and M., dated March 9, 1934, read: "The situation under the New Deal is so fraught with danger from labor organizations that the open shop of L. A. is threatened."

Sam Haskins, a lawyer who was once president of the Chamber, lost his memory on the witness stand.

"Sluggo" J. Stewart Neary, a florid goon who was the "instructor" for a series of classes instituted by the Merchants and Manufacturers Association to teach employers how to deal with workers WITHOUT collective bargaining, was also summoned to the stand.

Neary, a former football player, has a reputation nearly as long as

ugly as that of another witness, William F. (Red) Hynes, head of the "red squad" whose crimes are known to labor circles from coast to coast. Hynes, who is best remembered for his infamous deeds on the San Pedro waterfront during the strike of 1934 and the 1936 lockout, testified:

"The City of Los Angeles returned to the Waterfront Employers' Association \$38,000 of the total of \$145,000 paid for police protection. Now I've always thought this was a bad practice, because suspicious persons might misinterpret it."

Hynes, when questioned about the police terror during the International Ladies Garment Workers strike in 1936, declared:

"Those militant Communists required special handling!"

Further testimony touching upon the 1936 ILGWU strike revealed that the Merchants and Manufacturers Association paid \$114,534 to the Bodel Detective Agency for escorting scabs into the plant. Ninety dollars of this sum was paid to a stool-pigeon for spying on the union's activities.

## FORD CALLS FOR UNITY OF U.S. AND MEXICAN PROGRESSIVES TO HALT WALL ST. IMPERIALISM

U. S. Communist Leader Greets Mass Rally in Mexico City

By Alfred Miller

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 15.—James W. Ford, American Negro leader and member of the National Committee of the Communist Party of the United States, told a mass meeting here last Wednesday night that "the most important factor for repelling Yankee imperialism aggression in Mexico is the friendship between the labor and progressive forces of Mexico and the labor and progressive forces in the United States."

Ford brought the greetings of the Communist Party of the United States to the anti-imperialist meeting, which was called by the Mexican Communist Party to demand that the Mexican Government take energetic steps at this time to squish any rebellious fascist outbreak.

Thousands of Mexico City workers filled the Hidalgo Theater to hear Valentin Campa, secretary of the Communist Party of Mexico, urge the Cardenas Government to arm the workers and peasants and to hear Ford deliver the main speech on the international situation.

### TOWARD ANTI-SOVIET WAR

Ford was greeted with a long ovation when he rose to speak.

In sharp words he exposed Wall Street imperialism as "taking the lead in changing the present war into a combined imperialist war against the Soviet Union."

"Yankee imperialism is jealously guarding and strengthening itself, seeking to secure her world position at the expense of her imperialist rivals, whether they be England and France, on the one hand, or Germany, Italy and Japan, on the other, and moreover at the sacrifice of the colonial and dependent countries," Ford said. "Yankee imperialism is girding itself to drive all her rivals out of Latin America."

Briefly analyzing the maneuvers of the United States in the Finnish situation, the American Communist leader warned that the U. S. Government's plan to turn the inter-imperialist war into a counter-revolutionary imperialist war, will have dire consequences for Mexico and Latin America.

"One readily recalls the Cedula uprising which, no doubt, had foreign support," Ford pointed out. "But at that time the U. S. Government did not interfere in behalf of the rebels. If the constituted government, threatened by that rebellion had not taken the steps which it did, who knows what would be the situation in Mexico now?"

The Cedula attempt has its lesson, he continued, since "nobody can be unkind of the fact that there are similar rumblings in the air."

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"And nobody can be so naive as to believe that Yankee imperialism has nothing to do with these rumblings. With a changed situation in the U. S. Government, this time the danger of open interference arises."

The United States did nothing to aid the Spanish People's Republic but it took no time to send \$50,000 to Mannerheim Finland and to aid in organizing shipments of airplanes, he continued. He warned that the same U. S. bankers and industrialists who are lending their



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support to the Finnish reactionary forces are also conniving with Mexican traitors to organize rebellion in this country.

"But Yankee imperialism will have no easy time in tying the Latin American countries to her war machine nor in destroying their independence because of the justified hatred and suspicion which these countries hold for North American imperialism," he declared.

"At this moment, the most important factor for repelling Yankee imperialism aggression in Mexico is the friendship between the labor and progressive forces in the U. S. I greet you as the representative of the Communist Party of the U. S. and extend you this most cordial and fraternal greetings." He promised that the Communist Party of the U. S. "will do all in its power to guard and preserve the freedom and independence of Mexico."

Showing that the so-called "Good Neighbor" policy of the Roosevelt administration is changing into the Old Dollar Diplomacy, Ford said that "among the progressive forces of the United States and the Communist Party there still remain the burning core of a real Good Neighbor policy. Only our solidarity can prevent the spread of imperialism war to this hemisphere and guarantee the lasting independence of every country of Latin America," he said.

### U. S. FUNDS FOR FASCIST

Campa, who followed Ford on the list of speakers, put into sharp relief the campaign of slander against Mexico that is going on now in the U. S. press. He spoke of the Hearst faked stories on an "assassination" of President Cardenas that never took place on tourists being robbed and raped, and about rebellious attempts that are supposed to have taken place in various states. He analyzed the oil boycott and the moves of the Dies Committee with regard to Mexico.

"It is good business for the oil companies, which demand the ridiculous sum of \$450,000,000 or the return of their properties, to invest 150 million pesos with Almazan for the return of the oil fields after a successful rebellion," Campa stated. Juan Andres Almazan is the reactionary presidential candidate. He pointed out that the time of the Cedula rebellion it had also been the Communists who had informed the government and the public of the insurrectionist preparations.

"We have been opposed to the same exaggerated optimism of our friends that was evident at that time and which again is being expressed today, that a rebellion is

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not possible," Campa said. "Today the struggle is different from the one against Cedula. There are other circumstances. Almazan has far greater resources and much greater aid from abroad."

Emphasizing that the situation today is extremely serious and that all signs are showing that the reactionary forces, led by Almazan, are actively engaged in preparing an insurrection against the Cardenas government and that they are receiving material and moral aid from Yankee imperialism, Campa demanded that arms be issued to the peasant forces which now form the Army Reserve and to the workers' battalions.

He demanded the death penalty and long-term jail sentences for every one who attempts to rise in arms against the government.

"This time we must not let them get off as easy as they did during the Cedula rebellion," Campa said. Cardenas pardoned every Cedula rebel, disarmed him and sent him home.

The following resolution was wired to President Cardenas after unanimous approval by the audience:

"The thousands gathered at the anti-imperialist meeting called by the Mexican Communist Party at the Hidalgo Theatre, tonight, unanimously resolve to use all means to deepen the struggle for the liberation of our country from imperialism and to maintain the neutrality of Mexico. We shall bend every effort against the measures of the U. S. government, which has abandoned its Good Neighbor policy and which is trying violently to interfere in our internal affairs, to drag us into the war."

"We also support your government against the reactionary forces that are trying to rise in arms and we ask you to use strong means to quash all those who want to drown our country in blood."

## Hull Refuses to Confirm Tokyo New Treaty Bid

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (UP).—Secretary of State Cordell Hull said today that the possibility of negotiating a new commercial treaty with Japan to replace the 1911 treaty which expires Jan. 28 is one of several matters pending between this and the Tokyo governments.

Hull declined to say that the State Department had received from Japan a draft of a proposed agreement for a continuing arrangement to govern trade between the two countries after Jan. 28 and pending the negotiation of a new treaty. He said this and all other matters in which the two governments are interested are under discussion in Tokyo between American Ambassador Joseph C. Grew and the Japanese foreign office.

In response to questions on whether some continuing arrangements to serve temporarily after Jan. 28 had been proposed by the Japanese government, Hull said there were no new developments in the matter.

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## TEXT OF SOVIET COMMUNIQUE ON SWEDEN-NORWAY PRO-MANNERHEIM INCITEMENT

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 15.—In connection with Soviet-British and Soviet-Norwegian relations, the People's Commissariat of Foreign Affairs last night issued the following communique:

"In the recent period the attention of the Soviet Government has been drawn to certain events which occurred in Sweden and Norway. Press organs close to the governments of both these countries and certain persons in official positions, with the connivance and support of the Swedish and Norwegian authorities, began to develop a widespread campaign against the U. S. S. R. and to undertake actions incompatible with the policy of neutrality declared by the governments of both these countries."

"In connection with these events, the Government of the U. S. S. R. instructed its plenipotentiary representatives in Sweden and Norway to make the necessary representations to the governments of these countries."

### WAR INCITEMENT

"On Jan. 5, the Soviet representative in Sweden, Alexandra Koljant, handed the Swedish Foreign Minister, Mr. Gunther, a statement on behalf of the Soviet Government. The statement declares:

"Throughout the whole of December, the press and circles hos-

tile to the Soviet Union, headed by the newspaper Social-Demokraten, which is close to the government, conducted an impermissible campaign against the Soviet Union which can be explained only in the event of Sweden being in a state of war with the U. S. S. R."

"The Soviet representative's statement further placed on record that the Swedish press gives a place to direct calls for war against the Soviet Union and demands for Sweden's armed intervention in war on the side of the Ryti-Tanner Government (of White-Guard Finland) against the U. S. S. R."

"This campaign, which is designed to cause difficulties between the U. S. S. R. and Sweden, is not counteracted by the Swedish Government. More than that, certain people in official positions openly participate in the organization of military assistance to the Ryti-Tanner Government."

"By Dec. 7, 47 recruiting offices enjoying the patronage of the Swedish authorities opened in a number of Swedish cities. The number of 'volunteers' recruited by these offices runs into the thousands."

"According to certain data of Dec. 28, as many as 10,000 such 'volunteers' reached Finland from

Sweden. Subsequent reports state that two 'volunteer' corps left southern and central Sweden for Finland. The Swedish General, Ernst Linder, has taken over general command of these 'volunteers'."

"To the above-mentioned campaign of the Swedish press, the calls for military action against the U. S. S. R. and the open formation of 'volunteer detachments' with the assistance of the Swedish authorities must be added the direct supplying of arms to the Ryti-Tanner Government from Sweden and permission for the transit of all kinds of war supplies through Sweden to Finland."

### WARNS OF COMPLICATIONS

"The Soviet representative's statement to the Swedish Foreign Minister concludes as follows:

"The Government of the U. S. S. R. draws the attention of the Swedish Government to the above-mentioned facts and actions of the Swedish authorities directed against the U. S. S. R. The Government of the U. S. S. R. deems it timely to point out to the Swedish Government that these actions of the Swedish Government not only run counter to the Swedish neutrality policy but are also liable to lead to undesirable complications in relations between Sweden and the Soviet Union."

"On the same day, Jan. 5, the Soviet representative in Norway, Plotnikov, also handed a statement on behalf of the Government of the U. S. S. R. to the Norwegian Foreign Minister, Mr. Kuht. This statement declares:

"In the recent period certain circles in Norway which are close to the Norwegian Government and the Norwegian press have been conducting an utterly unrestrained campaign against the Soviet Union which can lead only to harm and complications in the relations between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Norway."

"The Soviet representative's statement further placed on record that in addition to direct calls for war against the U. S. S. R., the Norwegian press gives a place to demands that the Government of Norway render military support to the Ryti-Tanner Government against the Soviet Union."

"Certain persons in official positions, Mr. Hambro, President of the Norwegian Storting, General Orloff and others support this campaign and even take an active part in it. Recruiting committees designed to extend the war on the territory of Finland against the U. S. S. R. are openly being organized in Norway. There is information at hand that a special 'volunteer' division of countries belonging to the Oslo

group are being formed for Finland."

"Simultaneously, under the protection of the Norwegian authorities, there proceeds a supplying of arms from Norway to the Ryti-Tanner Government and the transit of various war supplies through Norway to Finland."

"The statement of the representative of the U. S. S. R. to the Norwegian Foreign Minister concludes with the following words:

"The Government of the U. S. S. R. deems it urgent to declare to the Norwegian Government that these actions of the Norwegian authorities not only grossly contradict the neutrality policy declared by the Norwegian Government, but can also lead to undesirable complications and upset normal relations between the U. S. S. R. and Norway."

"NORWAY'S REPLY  
On Jan. 8, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, Mr. Kuht, handed the Soviet representative in Norway, Plotnikov, the reply of the Norwegian Government. In its reply the Norwegian Government declares that the accusations advanced against it of violating neutrality are based on wrong information. The articles in the Norwegian press come from private persons and are not backed by the approval of responsible circles."

"As for the organization of re-

cruiting committees in Norway, the Norwegian Government renders them no assistance. Recruiting for military service in a foreign state is prohibited in Norway by law and will therefore not be permitted. The Norwegian authorities do not facilitate the transport of arms and of war supplies to Finland. If individuals voluntarily go abroad to take part in war, this is in the opinion of the Norwegian Government, does not constitute a violation of neutrality."

"Neither does the transport of arms through Norway run counter to international law. Nevertheless, as far as the Norwegian Government is aware, there has been no transport of war supplies through Norway to Finland until now and private exports of such supplies from Norway take place only in insignificant quantities."

"The Norwegian Government's reply concludes with an assurance that 'has hitherto maintained and intends to maintain in the future the neutrality declared by it with regard to war in foreign countries. The Norwegian Government expresses the hope that friendly relations between the U. S. S. R. and Norway will continue to exist in the future.'"

"On Jan. 10, the Swedish Foreign Minister, Mr. Gunther, gave a reply to the statement of the Soviet representative in Sweden. In

its reply the Swedish Government declares that the Swedish people have a warm sympathy for Finland, which finds expression in the press. Sweden's constitutional laws, however, prevent the press from exceeding the freedom which it is granted, particularly where the matter of offending foreign powers and their representatives is involved."

"In the opinion of the Swedish Government, neither its stand with regard to the press nor its actions in any other sphere give the Soviet Union ground to accuse Sweden. The accusations advanced are based chiefly on inaccurate information."

"In particular, the statements regarding the recruiting of Swedish volunteers do not conform to the fact. The recruitment of volunteers is conducted only on private initiative and their number does not correspond to the figures cited by the Soviet Government. The Swedish authorities do not render assistance in recruiting volunteers and officers and privates in Swedish service are participating as volunteers in the war in Finland."

"The transport to Finland of various commodities exported from Sweden on in transit from other countries cannot raise objections. Sweden strives to maintain her commercial relations with other countries. Finland can import from Sweden and ship through Sweden the various commodities for

which there is a demand in Finland. The Swedish Government does not deem it possible to change its stand and to hamper commerce between Sweden and Finland."

"The reply of the Swedish Government concludes with an expression of hope that 'the considerations outlined above will remove any misunderstanding which could arise between Sweden and the U. S. S. R. and will prove to the Government of the U. S. S. R. that there are no grounds for the accusation against the Government of Sweden. The Swedish Government is not pursuing an aggressive policy against the U. S. S. R. and desires to avoid any misunderstanding whatsoever in relations between the Soviet Union and Sweden.'"

"The reply of the Norwegian and particularly of the Swedish Governments to the representation of the Government of the U. S. S. R. cannot be regarded as fully satisfactory. The Governments of Norway and Sweden do not deny all the facts proving their violation of the policy of neutrality. Such a stand of the Governments of Sweden and Norway is fraught with danger. It testifies to the fact that the Governments of Sweden and Norway are not offering proper resistance to the influence of those powers which are striving to involve Sweden and Norway in war against the U. S. S. R."

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# RECORD GARDEN CROWD EXPECTED FOR LENIN RALLY

## Prospect Fades For Quins Visit To Worlds Fair

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 15 (UP).—Virtually the last chance of the Dionne quintuplets being shown at the New York's World Fair next summer vanished today, when executives of the Canadian Red Cross refused to sponsor the trip.

Upon the motion of Jackson Dodds, executive representative from the province of Quebec, the executive committee of the Canadian Red Cross society unanimously approved the report of the society, not to sponsor the proposed visit.

The Fair offered to turn over all proceeds derived from the visit to the Canadian Red Cross.

## House Set to Rush More Funds to Dies

### Majority Heads Push Measure for Right of Way

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—A resolution to extend the life of the Dies Committee for another year and to present it with appropriation of \$100,000 is expected to reach the House floor this week.

Speaker William Bankhead and Majority Leader Rayburn are both reported to have agreed on speedy action by the House on the resolution to continue the witch-hunting Dies Committee.

A number of House liberals will oppose the resolution, and a stiff fight is expected when it comes up on the floor.

Rep. Adolph Sabath, chairman of the Rules Committee, who has repeatedly assailed the Dies Committee, was reluctant to call the committee together to take up the question of giving the Dies resolution the right of way on the House floor. Sabath is now at his home in Chicago.

It is understood that Bankhead and Rayburn wired Sabath that the Rules Committee would meet in his absence unless he returned and that they would not countenance a delay on the Dies resolution.

The Rules Committee is expected to meet on Wednesday or Thursday to take up the Dies question, and action on the floor is expected probably on Friday.

## Murphy's Nomination OK'd by Committee

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (UP).—The Senate Judiciary Committee unanimously approved today the nomination of Attorney General Frank Murphy to be an associate justice of the Supreme Court, and sent the nomination to the Senate for confirmation.

Murphy, President Roosevelt's fifth nominee to the high tribunal, will succeed the late Associate Justice Pierce Butler.

Murphy appeared before the committee after the vote and shook hands with members.

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**PUSHED OFF THE LAND—**Sharecroppers are shown with household belongings on a Missouri road after mass evictions from their homes. Leaders of the sharecroppers and tenant farmers are meeting today in Washington to demand federal aid.



OWEN H. WHITFIELD

## ALP Will Not Run Candidate In 14th District

**Calls for Concentration on Primaries to Beat Party Wreckers**

American Labor Party state committee of the 14th Congressional District last night decided to place no candidate in the field in the coming special election to replace the late Congressman William Stroh.

The ALP committeemen, all of whom reside in the 14th Congressional District, in downtown Manhattan, urged the enrolled ALP voters to concentrate their attention and devote their energies and activity "to the election of a state committee pledged to carry out the original progressive program and policies" of the ALP.

In stressing concentration on the April 2 primaries, the ALP committeemen assailed the "shocking and outrageous party-wrecking campaign" of the Rose-Dubinsky-Waldman state leadership.

"In view of these circumstances," the resolution said, "it is impossible adequately to marshal the labor and progressive forces of the 14th Congressional District to wage an effective campaign to elect a successor to the late progressive Congressman William Stroh, who was a staunch and devoted supporter of social legislation, and who was our candidate for Congress in 1938."

The meeting was held at the 8th Assembly District Club headquarters, 100 Second Ave.

With no ALP nomination in the field, the campaign which will culminate on special election day, Feb. 6, will see three candidates running.

Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, has received the designation of his party.

The Democrats have nominated M. Michael Edelstein. The Republicans have nominated Lewis Lefkowitz, former Municipal Court Judge.

## Sicily Quake Kills 2

PALERMO, Sicily, Jan. 15 (UP).—A 10-second earthquake today killed two persons, injured at least 25 others and caused heavy property damage. The city was thrown into darkness when the power plant was disabled.

## DEFEND COMMUNIST PARTY LEADERS

### RUSH BAIL LOANS AT ONCE

Send loans of cash or U. S. Government Bond—or ask to have our representative call to see you

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ROBERT MINOR, chairman  
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, secretary-treasurer  
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# 1,300 MORE SIGN BROWDER NOMINATING PETITIONS

## East Side Hails Presentation Of Real Issues

**Communists Are First to Give a Program for Peace, Jobs**

The Browder Campaign Committee of the 14th Congressional district yesterday announced that 1,300 more signatures were added to petitions to put the Communist leader on the ballot, and promised to deliver about twice as many as are needed when the deadline is reached.

The rapidly with which the nominating signatures for Feb. 6th special election are coming, Robert Appel, the campaign manager said, indicates the powerful support Browder's candidacy is receiving.

At the same time, the Communist Party had the jump on the other candidates on the issues put forward in the congressional campaign. The area of the district centered in the Lower East Side, and stretching as far west as Seventh Ave. has been literally covered with Browder's platform when 500 canvassers swept through it Sunday in defiance of the continual down-pour.

### INFORMATION CENTERS

Now political discussions in the East Side center on the issues of peace, jobs and civil rights which have been brought forward by Browder. It is on these issues that the Democratic and Republican candidates have been put on the spot before even their nomination was made public.

In view of the large percentage of foreign born in the district the campaign committee opened two information centers, with store fronts at 121 Second Ave. and 106 Ave. B. They will be open all day to take care of the flood of inquiries to Communist headquarters.

Carl Petrino, directing the work of the Browder Campaign Committee among the foreign language yesterday called attention to passage of the Starnes anti-Alien bill as a special reason to spur the drive in support of Browder. He said the Jewish, Italian, Polish, Russian, Ukrainian and other national groups making up the bulk of the residents of the 14th District are aroused at this first act of the Congress now in session.

"This bill," Petrino said, "will strike the 14th harder than any other district in the country. It constitutes a menace to thousands of working-class families in the District and takes the country further along the road to active participation in the imperialist. Browder's candidacy, in the light of this vicious law, will find increasing support among the people of the 14th."

The first mobilization of foreign speaking canvassers among the language groups in the 14th will take place tomorrow night. Each canvasser will leave with foreign born registered voters a copy of Browder's congressional district platform in his native language. The platform has been translated into Jewish, Italian, Polish, and Russian.

A special room at campaign headquarters 144 Second Avenue, has been set aside for foreign language campaign material and for dispatching the canvassers.

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## Teachers Union For Proposed School Budget

**Voice Hope That Board of Education Will Resist New Cuts**

Commenting on the report of the Board of Education requesting the restoration of school facilities and services slashed from the New York City School system last year, Charles J. Hendley, president of Local 5 of the Teachers Union, declared yesterday that "we feel it is a vindication of the plan we have advanced all along that the budget could not be cut without seriously impairing the services we have a right to expect for children."

The Board of Education, in its report to the Board of Estimate, set its budget for the fiscal year 1940-41 at \$158,065,698, which, if granted, would help relieve the crisis in education and restore adequate teaching staffs, kindergarten, community and recreational centers, day classes for adults in English, and many other services vitally needed by the people.

Voicing the hope that the Board of Education would not succumb to the pressure of Tories and reactionaries in the Board of Estimate, Mr. Hendley said:

"We have been urging the board of Education to undertake an educational campaign to inform the public of the needs of the schools. We now hope they will stand by their own request for more adequate funds and will not yield to pressure that the Board of Estimate might put upon them to cut their own budget."

## Take Up Slogan 'Yanks Not Coming,' Curran Urges NMU

**Lashes Out Against Roosevelt War-Budget, and Campaign for Loans to Finland as Threat of Involvement**

"The Yanks are NOT coming," Joseph Curran, President of the National Maritime Union, in a 4,000 word report to the National Council of the union yesterday urged this as the slogan for American Labor in the war crisis.

Curran blasted those Congressmen who have been attempting to swing loans for the Mannerheim White Guards in Finland or other belligerents and called their tactics "a direct menace to the labor movement."

"In the last war," Curran said, "armies followed loans. We don't want that to happen again."

Representatives from Boston, Providence, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Galveston, Tampa, Mobile, Houston, Port Arthur, Corpus Christi, Cleveland, Buffalo, Norfolk, New Orleans, Savannah, St. Louis, and Chicago are attending the conference which will continue until Wednesday.

The conference opened yesterday morning at the Hotel Lincoln, but when the NMU men adjourned for lunch and left the hotel they found a picket line from District Council 9 of the Painters Union. A. F. of L. marching in front of the hotel.

### SHIFT SESSION

The sessions were immediately shifted from the hotel to the Manhattan Center where they will be continued at ten o'clock this morning.

Discussing the shifting of the sessions Curran said that the union respected "all legitimate picket lines, whether A. F. of L., CIO or independent union" and that the delegates would not pass them.

The council is scheduled to take action on the recently initiated agreement with the American Merchant Marine Institute and map steps for the organizational drive on the Atlantic Gulf which the union is getting under way.

The sessions will also prepare for the election of national officers which will be held in the Spring. William L. Standard, admiralty law expert and counsel for the union, is to make his report at this morning's session.

"Should this country become involved in the war," Curran warned the delegates in his report, "it would mean the destruction of the unions we fought so hard to build. It would mean the destruction of our civil liberties. Every trade union member and all those who hate war must make their voices heard so that this country will be kept out of the present conflict."

### HITS FLAG SWAP

Marine unions, because of their strategic importance, the seamen's leader declared, would become a special target of the union busters in the event of war. He characterized the sale and transfer of American ships to foreign firms and registry as "a definite step toward American involvement in war."

Curran urged support of a bill introduced by Senator Clarke of Missouri preventing future sale or transfer of American ships.

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## Nazis Decree Forced Labor For Polish Jews

BERLIN, Jan. 15 (UP).—All Jews between the ages of 14 and 60 living in Polish territory occupied by Germany will have to perform two years of forced labor, according to regulations published today in the *Warschauer Zeitung*.

The chief of police and the commanding S.S. officer under the government general at Warsaw issued the regulations. The forced labor period can be lengthened beyond two years.

The newspaper said Jews able to prove they are subject to resettlement in the Soviet Union under the Soviet-German agreement for exchanging German minorities for Ukrainians and White-Russians may "in part" be exempted from the regulations.

## New Yonai Cabinet Formed in Tokyo

TOKYO, Jan. 15 (UP).—A new Cabinet, which will take office tomorrow, was completed today by Admiral Hataumasa Yonai, former Navy Minister.

## 'Christian Front' Terrorists Sought in National Guard

**Orders Separate Quiz as 18 Are Jailed in Bomb Plot**

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according to the F.B.I. were the Jewish Daily Forward and the Cameo Theatre, W. 42nd St., a movie house.

In this connection Fire Marshal Thomas J. Brophy who has been investigating a fire which occurred Dec. 11 on the roof of the Daily Worker building is believed to be investigating the possible link between the fire, which he characterized as definitely of incendiary origin, with the Christian Front.

The Daily Worker has carried many articles and news stories exposing the anti-Semitic character of the "Christian Front" organization and the hoodlums of the adherents of this fascist group.

### LEADERS NAMED

The band was reported to have been concocting its plot for about 18 months.

William G. Bishop, John F. Cassidy and Prout were alleged to be the leaders of the organization. Prout was until recently in command of the howitzer company of the 168th Infantry. He lost this command when there was a reorganization in the guard turning the company into a heavy arm outfit to support infantry maneuvers.

Prout was, until relieved of his command by Haskell, on the regular staff of the 165th. His father Capt. John T. Prout, Sr., was also an officer of the 165th.

Prout is employed as a clerk in the Graybar Building offices of the Postal Telegraph Co.

Spokesmen for the Irish groups in this country who have been supporting the Irish Republican Army denied statements in the press yesterday that they had any connection with the Christian Front.

### MAYOR COMMENTS

Asked for comment concerning the arrest of the fascist terrorists, Mayor LaGuardia said: "I don't think the U. S. Government is in much danger from 18 guys like these."

Last summer the Mayor ordered an investigation of the "Christian Front," the Nazi Bund and Father Coughlin's Union for Social Justice.

LaGuardia's probers worked under the leadership of Nathan Frankel, former labor secretary to the Mayor whom the Mayor dismissed from his post last Fall, and Byrnes McDonald, another secretary.

Findings of the investigators and their report to the Mayor were never made public.

Those who are held in the plot are:

BISHOP, WILLIAM GERALD, 39, of 128 E. 36th St., unemployed, born in Vienna, Austria.

CASSIDY, JOHN F., of 5014 Fairview St., Brooklyn, employed by Brooklyn Edison Co.

BOETTGER, MACKLIN, 32, of 29 Hawthorne St., Brooklyn, said to be a member of the 7th Air Division, New York National Guard.

KELLY, GEORGE, 24, of 78 Rutland Rd., Brooklyn, employee of the Sutton Hotel, 130 E. 40th St.

ERNST, CLAUD GUNTHER, 36, of 29 Hawthorne St., Brooklyn, native of Berlin, Germany, a member of Troop A, 1st Cavalry.

VILL, MICHAEL, 35, of 1097 E. 34th St., Brooklyn, a chauffeur for the BMT Transit Corp.

BEHNKE, MICHAEL JOSEPH, 31, of 345 E. 36th St., Brooklyn, telephone lineman, said to be a corporal in the National Guard.

BURNELL, WILLIAM HENRY, JR., 18, of 797 Franklin Ave., Brooklyn.

COOK, JOHN FRANKLIN, 19, of 3085 53rd St., Brooklyn.

QUINLAN, ALFRED J., 27, of 205 W. 142nd St., said he also was a member of the 168th Infantry, New York National Guard.

WALKER, EDWARD, 26, of 814 Brooklyn.

BUCKLEY, ANDREW, 24, of 488 Park Ave., The Bronx, said he was sergeant in Co. H, 168th Infantry, New York National Guard.

PROUT, JOHN T., JR., of 30-34 32nd St., Astoria, Queens, native of New York City and a Postal Telegraph clerk. Captain in the 168th Infantry of the National Guard.

KERGAN, LEROY, 37, of 201 17th St., Brooklyn, first class seaman in the United States Naval Reserve.

MALONE, FRANK MICHAEL, 24, of 812A St. Johns Pl., Brooklyn.

VERHOEVEN, JOHN ALBERT, 24, of 663 Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn.

GRAP, JOHN A., 23, of 470 Eastern Pl., Brooklyn, a native of Brooklyn, and a clerk with the Brooklyn Edison Co.

### Ideologist



CHARLES E. COUGHLIN

### Ringleader



JOHN F. CASSIDY

## Coughlin Praised 'Front' Terrorists

(Continued from Page 1)

Boston and other eastern centers.

"Under the leadership of Mr. John F. Cassidy, of Brooklyn, there are now 5 central units operating in the metropolitan district.

"There are the Bushwick unit, headed by Peter Corrales; the Luigi Rizza unit of South Brooklyn, led by Alfonso Mercorella; the Bronx central unit, headed by Albert Gunnison; and the central Queens unit under the leadership of Al Kuris. Mr. Cassidy himself heads the Brooklyn central unit."

Coughlin may now try to crawl out from under the anti-Semitic and anti-Communist "Christian Front," which he so enthusiastically praised so often, but his "disavowal" stands repudiated by his own words and acts.

When Coughlin now "roundly disavows" the "Christian Front," the worth of his "reputation" can be judged from excerpts taken from the radio talks and the articles of the *Royal Oak* priest.

In the August 28, 1929, issue of "Social Justice," this line appears: "Fr. Coughlin approved the fine principles of Christian citizenship espoused by young men of the 'Christian Front.'"

Even when the "Christian Front" had earned the enmity of all decent Americans because of its racial bigotry hoodlum tactics and its open violence incited and conducted on the streets of New York, Coughlin rose to the defense of the terrorists. In his speech of July 30, according to a bulletin issued by "The Hour" he asked rhetorically: "What proof . . . to indicate that the Christian Front cultivates a state of war in the streets?" To this query he thundered his own answer: "None!"

Coughlin likewise has announced to the press that he returned a check for \$1,000 which had been presented to him by John F. Cassidy. But "The Hour" reports that no mention of such an incident can be found in the pages of "Social Justice." Instead, there is found an item declaring that Coughlin had returned a check of \$128—but it had come not from Cassidy of the "Christian Front," but from Joseph E. McWilliams, of the "Christian Mobilizers."

But there is even more. "The Hour" recalls that last October 23 a so-called "American Citizens Committee" in Brooklyn arranged a "Birthday Ball in Honor of Rev. Father Charles E. Coughlin." Among the chief sponsors of this event was the same John F. Cassidy whom Coughlin would now like to disavow. Other sponsors were Edward Lodge Curran, already mentioned, and Patrick F. Scanlon, managing editor of the Brooklyn "Tablet," a publication which always praises Coughlin's "Social Justice."

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# MURRAY BRANDS BETHLEHEM, NAT'L STEEL 'SUBVERSIVE FORCE'

## Tells SWOC To Broaden Its Political Role

### Warns Labor Smith Quiz Seeks to Destroy Wagner Act

By David Lurie

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 15.—Brandenburg, head of the American Number One Enemies, Phillip Murray today called the Bethlehem, Republic and National Steel corporations, "the outstanding subversive forces in America."

Addressing a conference of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee in the Monongahela Valley, Murray, who is head of the SWOC, told the more than 150 delegates present that "if there are any groups in America who are trying to undermine the laws of the land and operate contrary to the Constitution it is these corporations."

The delegates applauded as Murray outlined the achievements of the union in the three years of its existence. He declared that despite the strength of the union, it still had powerful enemies, both in political and business life, but predicted that they would be "whipped."

Listing the heads of the three major corporations in "Little Steel," Eugene Grace, Tom Girdler and Ernest T. Weir, he declared that each of these were determined that there should never be a wage agreement with the workers in their plants and that these corporations heads "must be whipped."

Laughter greeted Murray's characterization of the "Smith Snapping Committee." Speaking of the House Committee investigating the NLRB, he said that the purpose of the committee was to destroy not to amend the Wagner Act.

He attacked Edmund Toland, attorney for the Committee as a man who has represented every large non-union company in the country and who is attempting to get people to believe that the NLRB and the CIO are enemies of the government. "Toland and the committee desire to destroy, not amend the Wagner Act," said Murray.

In contrast to this, Murray offered the amendments to the Wagner Act which have been proposed by the CIO. The steel lodges, he declared, must work for the passage of these amendments since what is needed is not simply preservation of the NLRB but constructive amendments which would put teeth into the act. He described these amendments as two: one which would "simply make it a crime for any corporation to violate a law of the land, neither more nor less," and the other which would prevent the NLRB from arbitrarily deciding on the form of collective bargaining unit.

In connection with the first amendment, Murray pointed out that such corporations, as Bethlehem do a great deal of business with the government and yet flatly refuse to obey the laws of the land in regard to company unionism and collective bargaining.

#### PROGRAM FOR ALL

Speaking of the union generally, Murray described the duties of the union leaders assembled at the convention as more than simple trade union activity. He pointed first to the fact that the SWOC has participated in legislative campaigns, working for social legislation designed to benefit all, not just steel workers. Pointing out the great changes in the lives of the steel workers in the three years that the SWOC has been in existence, he declared that they were winning the "economic and political freedom which every human holds dear."

Murray further declared that the SWOC has won concessions which the industry never intended to give and that the most important one was the recognition of grievance committee. He announced that the SWOC now had 8753 grievance committeemen throughout the country. The importance of the 8753 men lies in the fact, Murray told the delegates, that every thing won for a single steel worker reflected to the benefit of the plant, the community, the state and the whole nation.

Finally, speaking of the inner life of the organization, Murray voiced his opinion that a national convention be held soon in order to maintain the life of the union on a democratic basis. He suggested Birmingham, Alabama, as the best place for the convention because "the South is only half organized."

In addition to Murray's talk, there were reports from one representative of each of the forty lodges in the Monongahela Valley who were present at the convention.

The convention closed with the adoption of several resolutions. In addition to the resolution on the proposed amendments to the Wagner Act already mentioned, resolutions were adopted, endorsing the CIO legislative program, and the policy of the national leadership of the SWOC. The convention also passed a resolution calling for co-operation of all lodges with the district leadership in a drive to bring about complete unionization of all mills in the valley. Finally, a resolution of greetings to the fiftieth anniversary convention of the UMWA.

## Steel Workers Eager for More Anti-War Books

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 15.—The anti-war feeling of steel workers in this area can be readily estimated by the eagerness with which they accept their anti-war literature now distributed in mass quantities by the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania. Twenty-five thousand copies of a printed folder entitled "Roosevelt's Budget and You" were issued last weekend. The folder was distributed at the mill gates of the Jones Laughlin Steel plant here. It emphasized that America must choose between "battleships and starvation or jobs and security," presenting the Communist Party's position on Roosevelt's proposed budget.

## 21 AFL Unions Indicted in New Orleans

### Anti-Trust Charges Against Tile Firms Made in Chicago

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15 (UP).—A Sherman anti-trust indictment was returned today against the Building and Construction Trades Council of New Orleans and 21 affiliated local American Federation of Labor unions.

The indictment was the third filed in this city in the government's nation-wide drive.

The Trades Council was charged with instructing delegates to have A. F. of L. members refuse to accept deliveries by Congress of Industrial Organization unions to construction jobs being done by the A. F. of L.

It further alleges that trucks bearing materials to construction jobs have been stopped and unloaded when they were driven by other than A. F. of L. men.

Citing specific instances, the indictment charged that under the Trades Council resolution a delivery of materials to the new federal building under construction here was stopped last Nov. 3. It charged further that materials for a new school building, a Works Projects Administration construction, were stopped by union men last June 5. All of the cited trouble started after an election last spring in which employees of the New Orleans Trucking Association certified the CIO as its bargaining agency.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15 (UP).—The anti-trust division of the Department of Justice today obtained a federal grand jury indictment charging that 42 tile companies, contractors and unions conspired to control the tile trade in the Chicago area and that the unions "policed" the agreement.

It was the first indictment brought here by a federal grand jury which has been conducting a nation-wide campaign in building trades.

The indictment charged violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act. Leo P. Tierney, Special Assistant U. S. Attorney General in charge of the building trades investigation, said those indicted included the 10 largest tile manufacturers in the United States.

## The Dead—Miners Sacrificed to Speed-up



SPEED-UP SYSTEM BROUGHT DEATH TO 91—Bodies of miners trapped in Bartley, W. Va., explosion are brought to surface and carried to waiting hearse. Illinois miners have charged that blast was partly the result of work system whereby vein is blasted while other veins are working.

## Mine Bosses Call Death Blast an 'Act of God'

### One of 91 Trapped Men Managed to Scribble Note To His Wife Before Black Damp Killed Him; Many Burned

BARTLEY, W. Va., Jan. 15.—The grief-stricken widow of one of the 91 victims of America's most horrible mine disasters in recent years received a scribbled message from her husband, written while he awaited death in the depths of Bartley No. 1 coal mine, instructing her regarding his own funeral.

Forty-one-year-old Ernest W. Hoops carefully folded the note in the bed of his cap after writing: "If we don't make it out, darling wife, please take my body down home (Jackson, Ohio) and take Rev. Spears to preach my funeral."

All 91 bodies of the victims of the mine explosion were extracted from the depths of the earth over the weekend and carried to their homes where their families waited in silent sorrow. More than half of the mine's dead were married men.

The bodies of the miners showed the ravages of the blast and many of them were burned by the gases. Officials of the Pond Creek Poca-hontas Company, operators of the mine, brushed aside responsibility for the tragedy, clinging to the "Act of God" characterization of the explosion. R. E. Salvati, vice-president of the outfit, declared that the cause perhaps "would never be known," and said that no reason had been found for the ignition of the gas which set off the explosion.

Phelps Would Put Utilities Under Stricter Control

ALBANY, Jan. 15 (UP).—Senator Phelps Phelps, Manhattan Democrat, announced today he would introduce a bill placing light, heat and power companies under supervision of the State Public Service Commission.

Phelps said the measure was designed to prevent "over-charging."



TIME was when bad posture was glorified by upper class damsels and called the "debutante slouch." The term is no longer used but unfortunately poor posture still continues to mar the figures of too many women.

Self-consciousness is one of the signs of adolescence and is particularly acute in girls who feel they are too tall. So by way of shortening themselves they slump, stoop and assume all sorts of strange postures. As a result their muscular development is impaired and instead of acquiring a lithe, easy grace, they become round shouldered and awkward, their clothes hang badly, and they have laid the groundwork for all the ills that follow poor posture with its attendant improper food assimilation.

Some of our modern furniture is apparently designed without knowledge of the relationship between bodily posture and health. Tilting the lower portion of the body forward, curling the end of the spine under, and buckling in at the diaphragm has a detrimental effect upon the abdominal organs, and is more likely to accentuate fatigue than to induce rest. For this reason fatigue can be said to be not only the cause, but also the result of poor posture.

The bony base of the body should be balanced evenly on top of the hip joints and legs to support the vital organs which it contains. If the muscles of the abdomen are flabby from lack of exercise or poor posture, the digestive organs do not function as they should and the whole system suffers.

An excellent exercise to strengthen the muscles of the abdomen is to lie flat on the back with the hands under the head, keeping the body rigid. Raise both legs as high as possible and let them down to the floor slowly. Start with three

## Tenants Strike In Harlem at Rent Increase

### 15 Families on Picket Line Against \$8 to \$30 Boost

Striking against an increase in rent from \$8 to \$30 monthly, 15 Harlem families residing at 910-12 Manhattan Ave., declared yesterday that they are determined to continue the fight against the extortionate demands of the landlord until he has been forced to back down.

Most of the tenants in the three houses are underpaid domestic workers who pay from \$45 to \$53 per month for four and seven room houses that are unfit for human beings to live in.

The increase would shoot up the rents to \$53 on apartments now renting for \$45 and to \$61 for apartments renting for \$53. Rent for the grocery store, which is located on the corner of Manhattan and 121st St., would be raised by \$30 from the present rent of \$60 to a total of \$90 a month.

#### THERE FIVE YEARS

Instead of getting repairs including water leakage, cracked walls and steam heat, the tenants were served with dispossession notices last Thursday by the Arthoff Realty Co., Inc., 2061 Broadway. Mrs. Louise Hart who lives at 508 Manhattan Ave. and who is group chairman for the striking tenants, said that the majority of the families have been living in the three houses for more than five years, all of whom moved in at a rent range of \$40 a month.

"The buildings have been constantly deteriorating," she said, "and the landlord got away with raising our rent to \$5 a month once before without making any repairs. But he won't get away with it again! We have awakened to the fact that we have got to fight. Oppressed people all over the world are fighting for their rights—and we are going to for ours."

Among the strikers are elderly women. To make their organized strength felt, some of them are staying away from work for picket line duty.

Throughout the day, in a bristling wind, the picketers marched up and down Manhattan Ave. and 121st St., shouting slogans calling for aid from the people in the neighborhood.

PICKET SIGNS TELL Signs reading "Tenants on Strike! Keep Out!" were posted in all windows. Placards carried by the tenants told in brief, crisp sentences the whole story of housing in Harlem. A few of them read:

"Horrors of Harlem: Overcrowded apartment houses! Hungry Children! First Fired—Last Hired! Lowest Wages—Highest Rents! One Hospital for 300,000! High Rents Deprive Our Children of Food!"

In practically every apartment the ceilings are cracked and the rooms are damp from water that constantly seep through from one apartment to another.

The Consolidate Tenants League is assisting the strikers in their fight and Mrs. Hart said everything will be done to enlist the aid and support of all the people in the community.

Manton Appeals for High Court Review

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (UP).—Former Federal Circuit Judge Martin T. Manton petitioned the Supreme Court today for review of his conviction on a charge of corruption on the bench.

Manton's conviction last May was affirmed by a special circuit court of appeals last month.

## Straus Offers Bank Tax for City Relief

### 1-150 of 1% on Transactions Would Replace Cigarette Levy

Councilman Robert K. Straus, Manhattan Fusionist, declared yesterday he would introduce a bill at today's City Council meeting to levy a tax of one-one-hundred and fiftieth of 1 per cent on gross bank transactions to help finance unemployment relief.

"I feel more strongly than ever that the cigarette tax should be repealed," he said, "and I was happy to read in the press that Councilman Hart, Democrat of Brooklyn, is in accord with me on this subject."

Last week Mr. Hart said he would introduce a bill to tax chain stores to obtain monies for relief. At the same time he promised to demand repeal of the cigarette tax. Mr. Straus said that he hoped Councilman Hart, as a member of the majority, will take the initiative in obtaining repeal of the cigarette tax.

## Zero Weather Holds Central U. S. in Grip

Blister cold spotted the United States yesterday in the wake of weekend gales which swept eastward with destructive force carrying snow and heavy rain.

The United States weather bureau at Chicago said the cold would continue for at least 24 hours, dropping temperatures to around zero from the Rockies eastward and as far south as the Ohio River valley.

The storm centered over the Great Lakes region today. Storm warnings were hoisted on the eastern seaboard and the Great Lakes.

In central plains states it left highways blocked by drifted snow, power lines sagging and fallen, buildings unroofed and windows smashed by the wind.

Many towns in northern Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa were marooned by the heavy snow. Galesburg, Ill., schools were closed.

Bus schedules were interrupted temporarily and railroad service was delayed.

# Aircraft 'Job Boom' Makes Vast Jobless Army

## Flood Los Angeles Labor Market With Workers Lured From All Over Country With Phony Promises of Jobs

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15.—This city's booming aircraft industry has its own vast army of thousands of jobless plane mechanics recruited from numerous U. S. industrial centers under the guise of a war boom—the CIO United Auto Workers disclosed today.

"Apparently Southern California aircraft companies have taken note of the Associated Farmers' scheme which flooded California with migratory agricultural labor," John Orr, UAW aircraft organizer, declared here.

Orr told how aircraft magnates had spread the war boom talk skillfully through the nation to flood the labor market here and push wages down.

"This brazen policy of the aircraft companies of recruiting aircraft workers in the East and North can mean but one thing," Orr said. "Donald Douglas and his colleagues apparently are flooding the labor market with a vast surplus, knowing this surplus will help them to keep wages down to the lowest level possible."

TRAINING SCHOOLS "There are still thousands of experienced mechanics on relief rolls in Los Angeles County. Wages in aircraft seldom amount to more than 50 cents an hour, and generally amount to about 50 per cent of prevailing wages in the automotive industry."

Orr pointed out that "recently the Detroit Free Press and The Detroit News carried stories purporting to show that aircraft employment 'engineers' were in the city hiring hundreds of skilled mechanics. These stories and many others like them sent thousands of mechanics scurrying to Los Angeles."

The answer to this critical situation? UAW-CIO has that too. "What aircraft needs in Southern California is a good strong industrial type union."

"UAW-CIO has two big projects for 1940—organizing Ford and organizing the aircraft industry."

CCC Says Work Could Last Until 1990

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (UP).—The Civilian Conservation Corps, in its annual report to the President, said today that there was enough public work to be done to justify the corps' existence until 1990.

The report was prepared by Robert Fechner, director of the corps who died early this month. It was transmitted to the President by James J. McEntee, acting director.

Norris Back in Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (UP).—Sen. George Norris, Ind., Neb., returned to his desk in the Senate today after spending two weeks in a Baltimore hospital for a rest and medical check-up.

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## The Christian Front And the Forces Behind It

For several years, the Daily Worker, the Communist Party and many progressive organizations have demanded federal action against the terroristic and anti-Semitic activities of the so-called Christian Front. From the very first, the Daily Worker warned that behind the violent anti-Communism of the Christian Front lay a threat to labor and to every decent democratic principle to which the American people adhere. A large section of labor and the people generally also realized that the red-baiting of the "Christian Front" was a mask for its fascism, and were deeply disturbed at seeing such activities allowed to flourish.

Now the Department of Justice is taking steps against some of the leaders and members of the organization. But that section of the public which had long been wondering why the government was refusing to act, will want one crucial question answered. The test of whether the government is honest in this matter is whether it goes after the powerful and sinister forces behind the Christian Front.

First of these is Father Coughlin. Coughlin is eager at this point to attempt to sever all public connections between him and the organization which he nurtured. But he cannot so easily refuse to recognize his own child even though Attorney General Murphy had the audacity to defend Coughlin the other day from charges of anti-Semitism. Coughlin's magazine Social Justice has always been an unofficial organ for the Christian Front, while Coughlin himself has directly supplied the organization with its anti-Semitic, and anti-Communist ideology and its calls for physical violence.

But Coughlin is not the only figure who must be investigated. What of the captains of industry and finance, like Henry Ford, the real powers behind Coughlin, and, through him, behind the Christian Front? What of Rep. Dies himself, who was hailed by Coughlin as a potential candidate for President of the United States and who deliberately whitewashed Coughlin when it was such un-American organizations as his which Dies was originally commissioned to investigate?

Is this prosecution of the Christian Front going to be a real prosecution? Or is to be used as a smokescreen behind which the government will prepare further dangerous, baseless assaults on the Communist Party, organized labor and the Bill of Rights?

Some people may be astounded at the revelation of the plot which has now been charged against the Christian Front, and which is said to include a plan to bomb the Daily Worker. But there is nothing surprising about such sinister plans. Only a few weeks ago, the Daily Worker building was the scene of a fire which the Fire Department declared to be of incendiary origin. This move to silence the Daily Worker by violence came after the Wall Street press and the Department of Justice had attempted to stir up a wave of hysteria against the Communist Party and the Daily Worker. The origin of many other phases of the ideology of the despised Christian Front will likewise be found in the editorials of these "respectable" and "law-abiding" capitalist journals which now raise their eyebrows so innocently.

The "Christian Front" has drawn encouragement from the red-baiting speeches of J. Edgar Hoover himself, and from Attorney General Murphy's recent whitewashing of Coughlin's anti-Semitism. With its poison of anti-Semitism, race hatred, violence and fascism, the Christian Front is an expression and product of American monopoly capital and its sinister plans, especially in this war period, against the people.

The American people know from experience in their own communities that it is generally the small fry who get caught while the big shots miraculously seem to go unnoticed. They must demand therefore that in the prosecution of the "Christian Front," the government go after the main figures, headed by Coughlin. At the same time, the people must be on their guard lest the prosecution be used to pave the way for further blows against labor and civil liberties.

## Taking Bread Out of Hungry Mouths

The one cent rise in the price of bread yesterday gives the people an opportunity to see what lies behind the war-mongering headlines in the capitalist press.

It is a drive not only toward war. It is a smokescreen for a campaign of hunger, for depriving the people of their most elementary necessities.

The Fischer and Ward monopolies led off

the price rise, but this is a clear indication of a general rise. There is absolutely no necessity for this extra robbing of the public—it is cold, callous profiteering, designed to spread to other foods. The consumers division of the AAA has already pointed out that bread prices were going up in various cities, and that at best they were maintaining their unnecessary high levels. This is one more proof of the pudding.

The companies argue that the increase is due to the rising cost of wheat. This is a monstrous hoax. When the monopolies want to gyp the farmers, there's a surplus of wheat, when they want to gut the public, there's a scarcity. In fact, there's a large federal surplus of wheat, which the government should make available to prevent Cleveland from overrunning the land. When the government holds it back, it is just what the bread profiteers want.

This is literally "taking bread out of hungry mouths" and the trade unions, housewives and organizations of the people should fight it.

## The People Are Beginning To Speak Out

Behind the "humanitarianism" and "national defense" program of the Roosevelt Administration, the people are beginning to see the cloven hoof of war and hunger.

The organizations of the hard-working common man—who will be called upon to make the "supreme sacrifice"—are beginning to make themselves heard. The recent Connecticut Labor Conference (attended by CIO and A. F. of L. unions, church, Negro youth and other groups), the National Maritime Union, the legislative conference of New Jersey Labor's Non-Partisan League, the New York Workers Alliance, the Colorado University students—are a sample of the organizations which have warned that U. S. loans to Mannerheim will bring America nearer to war.

Simultaneously, most of these unions and progressive organizations, together with the Akron CIO Industrial Council, have attacked President Roosevelt's budget as a dire threat to the unions, social welfare and civil liberties. The Pilot, national organ of the NMU, in an editorial pointed out clearly that tricky sales and transfers of ships to foreign countries mean "next it will be loans, then soldiers" to the European trenches.

The resolution of the Connecticut conference went to the heart of the matter when it declared: "Loans to Finland are a violation of the neutrality law." The people want America to be neutral not only in words but in deeds. It is the gang of Wall Street imperialists and bankers behind Hoover's help-Mannerheim drive and behind the Administration, who would sack neutrality and lead the country to war behind a smoke-screen of fake sentimentality.

Reports show that Congressional leaders have some misgivings about supporting the Finnish war loan proposals. But this is not because they are fighting the war program of the Administration. It is due to their fear of the people, who are overwhelmingly for peace and for keeping American boys at home. And this is only with a small beginning of protests.

How much more could be accomplished if more trade unions and other organizations of the people express their protests—now! They would make themselves felt in Congress for social needs and civil liberties, which the Roosevelt Administration would scrap. Attacks against the living standards are only the other side of the Mannerheim war loans which violate American neutrality. These loans, at this moment, are the most concrete way of getting this country into war. Wire President Roosevelt and Senator Pittman, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, protesting these loans. Let your individual Congressmen and Senators hear from you. Every peace-loving citizen and organization should speak out now!

## Hoover's "Finnish Relief" Gets Coughlin's Blessing

The right people just KNOW what Herbert Hoover is cooking up in his "Finnish relief" stew.

There is, for example, that lover of truth and democracy, Father Coughlin, anti-Semite, copier of Nazi propaganda, peddler of race hatred, civic violence, and bigotry.

Our readers will notice on another page of this issue that Hoover has just received a cool \$1,000 from Coughlin for the sake of dear little Baron Von Mannerheim, and that Hoover has just wired his "deep gratitude" to the country's Number One Anti-Semite.

The people of this country have been sickened by Coughlin's fascist bellowings of race hatred for some time. The latest conspiracy of the "Christian Front" for murder and violence is a dramatic proof of the kind of "democracy" Coughlin wants in America. The pay-off lies in the fact that the shameless fascist, Coughlin, is eager to finance the kind of "crusade for democracy" that Hoover is organizing now behind his "Finnish relief" campaign!

Hoover's motives in the "Finnish relief" are no better than Coughlin's. And Coughlin's "Americanism" can be seen by the whole country in the gang of would-be Storm Troopers in the "Christian Front."

The \$1,000 check should awaken the conscience and the reason of millions who may have been confused by Hoover's slick propaganda at first.

## STOPPING WALL STREET

by Ellis



## U.S. State Department Suppressed News Of Pogrom to Spur 1918 Intervention

By Ernest Moor

By December 13, 1919, so many of the White Russian "Dictator" Kolchak's men had deserted him and gone over to the Bolsheviks, carrying their British rifles, wearing the warm drawers that the American Red Cross had outfitted them with, that Kolchak was no longer a power of any consequences in Eastern Siberia.

But the American State Department representatives in Siberia were the last to give up Kolchak's "cause" for lost. When Kolchak began his retreat from Omsk late in October, U. S. Consul General Harris wired General Graves that the move was "not one of weakness but of strength."

General Graves says (page 265) that "at times Mr. Harris let his enthusiasm for the Omsk (Kolchak) government lead him into what appeared to be efforts to keep certain information from reaching the United States. As an example:

"Mr. Morris (the American ambassador to Japan) and I were notified by an Englishman when in Omsk that Annakoff, head of the Semipalatinsk Cossacks, had killed three thousand Jews at Ekaterinburg. Annakoff was known as a Cossack murderer and the appropriate insignia which were on his cap and blouse, consisted of skull and crossbones. . . ."

General Graves relates that a representative of a Jewish relief organization in New York went to Ekaterinburg to investigate the pogrom and made his report to America through General Graves' office.

### ENRAGED BY REPORTS

Consul General Harris flew into a rage and telegraphed the men denouncing him for "such false and irresponsible reports." Harris had made not the slightest effort to confirm the report and, as a matter of fact, pogroms of this kind, perpetrated by the White Guard were common knowledge inside and outside of Siberia. Later, General Graves said, he received an official military report of the pogrom which stated that 3,500 had been killed by Annakoff.

A few days later, General Graves learned that the American State Department representative had carried the matter a step further. Graves received a telegram from Washington which said "Consul General Harris states that Rosenblatt's report of Jewish program is absolutely false. Do not transmit any news dispatches which have not been checked for accuracy." General Graves comments sally that not even a member of Kolchak's staff would deny that the pogrom took place.

Kolchak was crumbling fast. A British officer who had been with Kolchak for three months told General Graves that "there was nothing to prevent the Bolsheviks from taking Omsk a short time ago if their plan of campaign had so allowed: a rabble dressed in British uniforms is sent to the front and at the first opportunity they desert to the Bolsheviks."

### ORDERS REVEAL TRUTH

On December 12 an American officer arrived who had been sent to Siberia over the head of General Graves with orders to report to Consul General Harris. General Graves expresses the belief that the man was sent by General Churchill, chief of U. S. military intelligence. Churchill was a man who had extremely close connection with DeWitt C. Poole, chief of the Russian section of the United

[This is the last of three articles reviewing, in the light of the new intervention against the Soviet Union, the book of General William S. Graves, U.S.A., "America's Siberian Adventure." General Graves was the commander of the American expedition to Siberia, 1918 to 1920.]

States State Department and an open White Guard partisan.

This officer, in an unguarded moment, let General Graves' intelligence officer, Col. Eichelberger, see his orders. They said: "The American troops are in Siberia primarily to help support Kolchak against the Bolsheviks. . . ."

Later, General Graves learned that this man, whom he does not name, had attached himself to the staff of the notorious Semeonoff and was serving with him when Semeonoff's armored train attacked American troops.

Yes, that happened in Siberia in those mad days of the collapse of Kolchak. A White Russian army, on the staff of which there was an American officer, attacked American soldiers while they were sleeping. General Graves relates the event on page 311.

A detachment of Semeonoff's army, traveling in an armored train, came to a station on the Trans-Siberian railway guarded by American troops and arrested the station master. The American commander protested and the man was released, but "the White Russian commander said, 'I was told he was a Bolshevik and I wanted to kill him tonight, but if you insist I will release him. . . . We will get him sooner or later.'"

That night when the American soldiers were sleeping in their box cars quarters on a siding, the White Russian armored train returned. When it came alongside the American barracks-train, it opened fire. The report to General Graves from Col. Morrow, commanding the sector, follows:

"Semeonoff armored car attacked detachment thirty-eight men in their cars at Pooskaya at one a.m., January 10. Detachment fought and captured armored car. One general (Bogomolez, a Semeonoff subordinate), six officers and 48 men held here. American casualties: one died of wounds, one seriously wounded. . . ."

General Graves observed that he was "sorry that Lieut. Kendall, who was first to get hold of Bogomolez, did not hang him to a telegraph pole," but complimented the young officer on his restraint for not so doing.

### THIS WAS A MURDERER!

Later, General Graves reported, Col. Morrow met the American officer who had attached himself to Semeonoff's staff and asked him, "Do you not know what a murderer he is? Do you know that he killed some of my men?"

The officer replied: "Semeonoff is the only thing standing between civilization and Bolshevism and I do not intend to listen to anything against Semeonoff." Col. Morrow, General Graves reports, came to the conclusion that the man was crazy and put him under the surveillance of a medical officer, to which Consul General Harris protested bitterly.

Kolchak's final collapse had come a few days earlier. The Red

Army was at his heels and the remnants of his army were falling away from him like autumn leaves in a sudden wind. Finally on Dec. 23 he appealed to the Poles to protect him from arrest by his own soldiers. This was the end.

But it wasn't the end of intervention.

General Graves reports that the Bolsheviks had a sense of humor. By that time the Red Army counted among its members more than 100,000 former Kolchak men all clothed, armed and equipped by the British, and undoubtedly in their warm drawers from the U.S.A. The Bolsheviks, General Graves said, sent a wire to General Knox, the British mentor for Kolchak, thanking him for supplying the Soviet forces. Knox was the man who had called the Russian people "swine."

Kolchak's agents had been overthrown in Vladivostok, the democratically elected Zemstvo (City Council) government emerged from underground and order and peace were restored in Vladivostok.

### SAME OLD PRESS

It was here that General Graves had an experience with the American press which highlights some of the stories now being broadcast from Mannerheim Finland.

"I observed these Zemstvo officials carefully for the two months I remained in Siberia," he said (page 324). "I never saw any one try harder to be fair and just to everyone than did these people."

"I was very much surprised to receive newspapers (from the United States) in which it was stated that the streets of Vladivostok were flowing in blood; the Bolsheviks were killing everyone with money and education. These reports were so unjust I could not help wondering where they originated."

"It was well known in Vladivostok that from Nov. 18, 1919, to Jan. 31, 1920, Rosanoff (the deposed White Guard commander) had killed between five and six hundred men without any comment relative to his murders."

There you have it. The White Guard made the gutters of the town run with blood, but it wasn't news. The Red Army came in and brought peace and order and the capitalist press released a flood of slander.

With the Soviet authorities in control of the city, although the interventionist war was still raging elsewhere, General Graves describes his last two months in Siberia as "uneventful."

On April 1, 1920, the last American "echelon" pulled out on a U. S. Army transport with General Graves aboard. At the dock he heard disturbing reports while a Japanese brass band was playing as a farewell serenade the American tune, "Hard Times Come Again No More." The report, given him by an American newspaper man who had just come from Tokyo, was that the Japanese planned to attack the Soviet Vladivostok government as soon as the Americans left. General Graves cabled the information to Washington, and three days later the attack came off as scheduled. Again the streets of Vladivostok ran with blood and it was another two years before the last of the Japanese "had been driven out of Siberia."

As to the role of Britain in the bloody Siberian adventure, General Graves quotes Winston Churchill on the establishing of the Kolchak "government."

"The British Government had

## LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

High Praise For  
Daily Worker Columnists

New Haven, Conn.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Allow me to toss a bouquet to Mike Gold for the continued splendid performance in his daily column. In particular I would single out that speech, published a short time ago, entitled "Communists Have a Price." It contains, in its second column, I believe, some of the finest proletarian writing that I have ever seen. Mike's profound sense of humanity, his abiding faith in the eventual and coming victory of Socialism, provided me with some of the ammunition for our proletarian enemies. May you continue, Mike, to maintain the high level of achievement throughout this coming year. Congrats, Mike, for you deserve it.

I think William Z. Foster's column, Questions and Answers has hit the nail on the head, and on the whole has been a model of lucidity, conciseness, and has packed a punch. May he continue the fine work. I would hasten to add that these are, in my mind, only the more outstanding of some of the many splendid features of our paper. May I use the possessive? For though not a Party member, I would like nothing better than to see its circulation pass the million mark.

Before I conclude, would you please extend my wishes for speedy recovery to Harry Gannes—just say that it is from one of his many unknown readers.

W.

Capitalist Press Grinds Out  
A Mess of Lies

Tilly, Ark.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Say now, you are giving us a fine lot of reading matter. Just can't be beat. I sure enjoy reading the news from the Finnish fighting front. The news here tells us about those "supermen" that the butcher Mannerheim has had trained.

Right over the radio in this rockribbed Arkansas, come the reports about the Finns putting to flight, killing or pushing into the seas or lakes whole platoons of poor starved, ragged Russian soldiers.

These lies are awful and disgusting. The people are being so terribly deceived in this part of the country. The mills of the masters are grinding out their mess of porridge.

H.

White Guard Finnish Pulp and  
Newspaper Lies—

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Here is something we may perhaps have overlooked in considering the causes of the present campaign of newspaper lies concerning Finland.

On page 568 of "The Nation Today; A Physical Industrial and Commercial Geography," by Packard, Sinner and Overton (MacMillan, 1939) there is a picture with the following caption:

"This largest pulp mill in Finland is said to be the largest mill of this kind in the world. Finland ships wood pulp to the United States. It also is the only European country that has paid regular installments on the debt to us that it contracted as a result of the World War."

Are these newspaper lies on newsprint made from White Guard Finnish pulp? And what will happen to the supply of this pulp if Ryti is kicked out?

How about a little investigation along this line, with a full report in the "Daily"?

Many thanks for your excellent guidance in this critical period.

—R. A.

C. P. Branch Pledges Quick Collection  
Of Defense Assessment

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following resolution was unanimously passed at our last branch meeting:

A study of Lenin's analysis of imperialism at our branch class makes clear to us that we are living through a period of "dying capitalism." It becomes even clearer when related to recent events.

"The Red Army is weak," shout the "interventionists" of 1919, who received a severe drubbing from an immature Red Army 20 years ago.

"Russian imperialism," scream the Wall Street murderers of the Latin-American and Philippine people, at the only country adding the heroic Chinese people, and who gave aid to the Spanish Republic. "Foreign agents," shrilly yell the conspirators with the British Kings of 1917 and 1940, who plan to bleed the American people with all the bloody horrors and miseries of another "holly" war.

The madmen have now reached a crescendo. The breakers of every law of decency are persecuting Comrade Browder, using a "passport" as the flimsy excuse. They hope to succeed in this way to coerce our members, under the threat of similar acts, into leaving the Party. But only those whose eyes are blind with rage, can fail to see that this will have an opposite effect.

The working class is not intimidated when its loved ones are persecuted. On the contrary, its hate for the bourgeoisie increases, and its determination grows to defend the leaders of the American working people in the struggle for peace and democracy, for socialism.

That is why we members of Branch 2, 6th A. D., Kings County, welcome the decision of the National Committee for an assessment on Party members, to aid in the defense of our leaders. Despite the financial difficulties placed upon our members by an outworn, dying capitalist system, we pledge to have our entire membership in the possession of assessment stamps within the next month.

BRANCH 2, 6TH A. D.

called it into being for our own aid," Churchill said in the House of Commons, "at a time when necessity demanded it."

General Graves regrettably acknowledges that although the American forces under his command exercised a "different policy" from that of the Japanese and British, "to the great mass of Russians . . . the fact and circumstances of intervention will dominate and obscure every specific act connected with intervention, and the resulting obloquy will fall almost equally upon all nations taking part."

In this book of 356 pages a clear-sighted man reports the blackest chapter in the history of American foreign policy. The book can still be bought from Peter Smith, publisher, 321 Fifth Ave. The price is \$3.50. It was kept from general sale by the killing silence applied by leading book reviewers.

The story of this ugly imperialist adventure is divided into three parts: Imperialist instigation of White Guard revolt; then loans to the White Guard imperialist puppets and, finally, military intervention to support these murderous adventurers.

Today, as two weeks have passed since the RFO advanced \$10,000,000 to Mannerheim Finland, as the Senate now considers an additional \$60,000,000 loan, it may fairly be said that we stand at the moment already at the second step in the deadly drift toward a repetition of a tragic error.



## CHANGE THE WORLD

The Grim Shadow of  
Woodrow Wilson Looms  
In Eaves of White House  
By MIKE GOLD

Due to illness Mike Gold is unable to conduct his column, "Change the World." He will resume it as soon as he has recovered.

By William Patterson

THE State of the Union. Millions waited for the message of the President. Each was concerned, for the most part, with his own affairs. These in their unity and completeness really constituted the state of the Union.

Ten millions of unemployed awaited some word concerning the solution of the greatest problem which confronts the country today.

Those deprived of relief looked for some message that would mean food for their families, clothes and rent, in a word security.

The workers in the trade unions were concerned with the strengthening of their organizations. They fear attacks from government agencies. The Department of Justice threatens to use the law, enacted to curb the trusts, against the unions—those organizations most feared and hated by the trusts.

The Negro people listened for some recognition of their specific problems, some condemnation of racial hatreds. So did the Jews.

The sharecroppers dreamed of government aid, that a plot of land might be secured which one could call one's own.

The aged thought in terms of pensions and old age security. American youth looked for a hint that an education was still possible.

The collective worries of the people, their collective anxiety, their mutual sympathies—these indicate the state of the Nation.

The people seek jobs, relief, social security, peace and democracy. But they got a message that was concerned essentially with war. President Roosevelt has become on the peace front a "yes-but-er."

"If in any local unit, a city, country, state or region—low standards of living," said the President, "are permitted to continue, the level of the civil organization of the entire nation will be pulled downward."

But—as we look about us—that is the very state of our nation today. Unemployment has reduced the standard of living of millions to the level of poverty in the midst of plenty.

The South has been declared by the President himself to be the No. 1 economic problem of the nation. The one-third that was "ill-housed, ill-clad and ill-fed" have grown until now they are more nearly two-thirds.

The migrant landless sharecroppers whose starved faces literally haunt us from the pages of "Grapes of Wrath" have never known any but the lowest standards of living.

Black America has almost ceased to believe in the redeeming skill of American democracy to bring it full and complete equality.

The "level of the civilization of the entire nation" is being "pulled downward" and that too by those same "economic royalists" whom yesterday Roosevelt branded as "enemies of the people" but with whom he calls upon us today to join in "national unity."

What kind of national unity is this and for what purpose? They—the economic royalists—make war on the people at home. Is national unity with them not a means whereby they can and will make war abroad?

Is there a man of peace who is not fearful of these words of the President?

"Of course, the people of other nations have the right to choose their own form of government. But," and the President continues, "we in this nation still believe that such a choice should be predicated upon certain freedoms which we think are essential everywhere."

And so as "we think" so shall we demand of others, for Mr. Roosevelt says:

"We know that we ourselves will never be wholly safe at home unless other governments recognize such freedoms."

The state of our nation belies our recognition of "such freedoms." Unemployment, hunger and mob violence are not "freedoms." But the entire soul, the very essence of the President's speech lies in this one paragraph. It constitutes a declaration of war.

President Roosevelt has by his silence declared for the freedom of the "economic royalists" to continue to gamble in the nation's food-stuffs and to raise prices to the skies. The President has declared for the freedom of the National Manufacturers Association to strike blow after blow upon the trade unions. Dies will have freedom and so too will Murphy.

The President has not opposed the freedom of those who smashed the cultural projects of the New Deal, and who now have driven even that term from the pages of a message to the people. Are these the "freedoms" he demands that other governments shall recognize?

It is not of the safety of our jobs, of relief, of social security, of peace and democracy that Roosevelt speaks. The President's speech is a storm signal. The shadow of Woodrow Wilson looms in the eaves of the White House.

## Gould in Symphonic Jazz Concert, WOR, 8:30

Morton Gould, composer and conductor, heard in another of his weekly symphonic jazz concerts over WOR at 8:30 tonight. . . . Elsa Lancaster, is guest on WJZ at 9:30 P.M.

- SHORTWAVE BAND**  
Radio Center, Moscow, 7:00 P.M., 4:00, 4:00, 12:00, 12:00 A.M.
- BROADCAST BAND DAILY PROGRAMS**
- 12:00-WJZ-U. P. News  
12:05-WJZ-Midday Symphony  
12:15-WJZ-David Low, News at Stage and Screen  
12:25-WJZ-U. P. News  
12:30-WOR-Trans-Radio News  
12:35-WJZ-Microphone to the Sky  
12:40-WOR-National Farm-House Hour  
1:00-WJZ-Condensed News  
1:05-WOR-Continued Quiz Club  
1:15-WNYC-Missing Persons Alarms  
1:30-WNYC-Town Hall Club Luncheon, Discussion of Cooperatives  
1:45-WMCA-News  
1:50-WNYC-Municipal Concert  
2:00-WJZ-"Women as Scientists"  
2:15-WJZ-U. P. News  
2:20-WNYC-American Citizenship Court, WPA Program  
2:30-WJZ-Army Band Concert  
2:35-WMCA-News  
2:40-WOR-School of the Air  
2:45-WOR-"Little Red School House," WPA Program WABC-News  
2:50-WOR-Via and Radio WNYC-News  
3:00-WOR-Trans-Radio News  
3:05-WJZ-Club Matinee  
3:10-WNYC-Four Stripes at 4:00  
3:15-WOR-Cleveland Institute of Music  
3:20-WNYC-"Of Men and Books," with Dr. John T. Frederick  
3:30-WNYC-Napoleonian Serenade  
3:35-WOR-Hour of Symphonic Music  
3:40-WMCA-News  
3:45-WNYC-New School of Music  
3:50-WOR-Musical Stories with Irene Wicker  
3:55-WNYC-Sam Taylor Moris Column  
4:00-WOR-It Happened in Hollywood  
4:05-WOR-Ruby Effenberg, Piano  
4:10-WNYC-Public Service Hour  
4:15-WOR-Radio Harris, News of Broadway and Hollywood  
4:20-WNYC-U. P. News  
4:25-WOR-Evening  
4:30-WNYC-Musical Program from Mexico City  
4:35-WOR-Donc Don WJZ-U. P. News  
4:40-WOR-Early Evening News  
4:45-WOR-Music to Remember  
4:50-WOR-A. P. News WABC-Songs  
4:55-WOR-Trans-Radio News  
5:00-WNYC-Listeners' Corner  
5:05-WOR-Dinner Concert  
5:10-WNYC-Dance Music  
5:15-WOR-"Little Abner"  
5:20-WOR-Dance Music  
5:25-WNYC-Ruby Effenberg, Piano  
5:30-WOR-Excerpts from the Opera
- WJZ-Pleasuretime with Fred Waring's Orchestra**  
WJZ-Glen Loxton, Sports Review  
WJZ-Easy Aces  
7:15-WMCA-"Five Star Final"  
WJZ-"I Love a Mystery"  
WJZ-Mr. Keene, Tracer of Lost Persons  
7:30-WOR-Sports Fanfare  
7:35-WABC-"Second Husband," Starring Helen Menken  
7:40-WOR-"Echoes of New York"  
WJZ-Dance Music  
WJZ-Treasury  
WJZ-Johannes Steel, News Commentator  
7:45-WOR-The Inside of Sport, Sam Baller, Commentator  
8:00-WJZ-"The Aldrich Family," Starring Vera Rine  
WABC-"Big Town," Starring Edward G. Robinson, Ona Munson  
8:05-WNYC-Johnnie Green's Orchestra and Dramatization  
WOR-Concert Recital  
WJZ-Symphony Hall  
WJZ-Dance Music  
8:15-WNYC-Music Appreciation Hour  
8:20-WJZ-"Information, Please"  
WJZ-Morton Gould's Orchestra  
WJZ-"The Pot of Gold" with Horace Heidt and Band  
8:25-WNYC-U. P. News  
8:30-WNYC-Battle of the Sexes  
WABC-"Confidentially Yours"  
WJZ-Cavalade of America  
WABC-"We, the People"  
WJZ-Postnight Echoes  
8:35-WNYC-News  
8:40-WOR-Pinner McGee and Molly  
WABC-Concert in Rhythm, with Raymond Scott  
WJZ-"Meet Mr. Weeks," Elsa Lancaster, Guest  
WABC-Nadia Reisenberg, Pianist, in Mozart Piano Concerto Series  
WNYC-Spanish Music  
8:45-WOR-Dance Music  
8:50-WNYC-Rose Cook, Song Recital  
9:00-WOR-News  
WABC-Dance Music  
WABC-Raymond Gram Swing, News Commentator  
WJZ-Roy Shields Encores  
WJZ-Concert Hour  
9:05-WOR-Glen Miller, His Band and the Andrews Sisters  
10:15-WABC-Americans at Work, Interviews with Mapmakers  
WOR-News from Washington  
10:30-WJZ-"Rent House"  
WJZ-"Uncle Walter's Dog House"  
WABC-News ERIC MUNK.

## Artists Score Slashes in F.D.R. Budget

The membership of the United American Artists, Local 66, U.O.P. W.A. unanimously endorsed the following letter to President Roosevelt, at a general membership meeting held recently at Germania Hall. The text follows:

January 11, 1940.  
President Franklin D. Roosevelt  
White House  
Washington, D. C.  
Dear Mr. President:

In the past, the unemployed citizens of our country have recognized you as a spokesman for their right to live and to work. Our members have accorded you this recognition on the basis of your record as President, despite the fact that your previous requests for appropriations for Relief and Work Relief have always been inadequate and we have supported you and fought with you against our enemies. The Woodrum and Garner Democrats and the reactionary Republicans who have tried to wreck the Works Projects Administration and with it the right of our members to exist.

## Words in Place of Deeds

In the past, on two specific occasions, the artists have heard words from you which meant a great deal to them. At the dedication of the Modern Museum in New York City, you pointed out the necessity of political democracy for continued cultural growth. Again, when signing the disgraceful Woodrum Bill, you protested the discrimination which this legislation leveled against the arts by killing the Federal Theatre.

But these things are of the past. By your Budget message to Congress on January 4, 1940, you have wiped out the past differences between your Administration and the reactionary Democrats and Republicans who have always tried to cripple the WPA and all social legislation for the benefit of the people. According to your budget, the Federal Government will spend \$675 millions less by the simple process of adding \$574 millions for armaments and subtracting over ONE BILLION DOLLARS from the unemployed, the farmers and the unemployed youth.

We see no justification for this. War abroad and armaments at home have added one million people to the ranks of the unemployed in the past year. There has been no private employment for fine artists since the art market collapsed in 1929. In the past six months nearly one thousand artists have been fired from their WPA jobs in New York City and hundreds have not been re-instated due to the reduction of employment quotas from 1,700 to 1,000. In the recent 48 state Mural Competition of the Section of Fine Arts, 1,450 artists competed for 48 jobs. Seventy-four of this number will derive employment from the Section of Fine Arts and only 13 of these are from New York. These facts dictate increases in Government employment and our energetic opposition to your budget.

## Responsibility of Government

The Federal Government has the responsibility of providing work for all the unemployed who are able and willing to work. The United American Artists will do everything in its power to see to it that the Government fulfills this responsibility concretely and immediately by:

- 1-Granting a Deficiency Appropriation providing 3 million jobs on WPA immediately.
- 2-Expanding the Art Project to employ all unemployed artists and to fulfill community demands for art and art services which are not being met at the present time.
- 3-Dropping the miserable and degrading means test as the prerequisite for WPA employment.
- 4-Abolishing the 18 months dismissal clause, payment of a decent and living wage on WPA, re-establishing prevailing wages and ending the economic discrimination against the arts by restoring the Federal Theatre as part of the WPA program.
- 5-Granting the Section of Fine Arts sufficient funds to provide more jobs.

These, Mr. President, are the urgent needs of the artists of America today. The Congress of Industrial Organizations and our National Conference of Artists Local Unions of the United Office and Professional Workers of America have demanded that they be satisfied. We hereby demand their consideration and satisfaction.

Mr. President, the relationship of art and democracy is not a rhetorical but a practical matter. The continued growth of culture in our country rests upon the fundamental democratic right—the right of the artists to live by working at their craft in conditions of peace. The artists have been isolated from the private economy of the nation for a decade and our right to work and exist consequently must be and is the problem of the Government. We want that problem solved NOW.

Respectfully yours,  
EXECUTIVE BOARD,  
UNITED AMERICAN ARTISTS  
Local 66, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO.  
Per: THOMAS F. QUINN,  
Executive Secretary.

## THE CHECKWEIGHMAN



An early drawing by Fred Ellis

## 'Blood on That Coal'

91 Dead in West Virginia Mine Disaster—News Item

By MAY BEALS

(A tragedy at Coal Creek, Tennessee, May 19, 1902)

The lord of us he lay in his bed—  
Good right had he, good right!  
But we were up before night had fled,  
Out to the mine in the dawning red;  
Slaves were we all, by hunger led  
Into the land of night.

The master knew of our danger well,  
We also knew—we knew.  
His greed for profits had served him well,  
But he over-reached him, as fate befell,  
And I alone am left to tell,  
Death's horrors I lived through.

The master dreamed, mayhap, of his gold,  
But we were awake—awake,  
Buried alive in the black earth's mold;

And some who yet could a pencil hold,  
Wrote till their hands in death grew cold,  
For wife or sweetheart's sake.

Letters they wrote of farewell—farewell,  
To mother, sweetheart, wife:  
What words of comfort could they tell—  
Comfort for those who loved them well,  
Up from the jaws of the earth's black hell  
That was crushing out their life.

The master cursed, as masters do—  
Good right had he, good right!  
But the fear of our vengeance stirred him,  
Too;

He sailed, with some of his pirate crew,  
To Europe, and reveled a year or two;  
Great might has he—great might!

## Annual Whitney Exhibit Is Art Event of the Week

The opening of the Whitney Museum's 1940 annual exhibition was the big art event of last week. Whether or not it deserved to be a mooted question, however. The honest intentions of the Whitney Museum should, of course, be taken for granted. The Museum is dedicated to the idea of showing the best, and nothing but the best, art works produced in this country. To obtain such works it invites artists who have achieved outstanding reputations, which is not unreasonable. To make doubly certain that nothing good will escape it, the Whitney invites to its annual exhibits a few young artists. The formula is perfect and the result is—perfect synthetic shows!

An important water color show by Hy Cohen is on view at the ACA Gallery. In the catalog foreword this gifted water colorist's affiliations with the ACA is stressed. He was its first exhibitor, but his ties to it reached beyond that. The introduction goes on to say that "in the five exhibitions he has had at the gallery, he has gradually achieved the full stature of an artist with a definite individuality, and great range of expression, which is both vigorous and intense."

## New Director For Metropolitan

Francis Henry Taylor, director of the Worcester (Mass.) Art Museum has been appointed director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Mr. Taylor took a leading part in the museum directors' fight against the rental policy, which progressive artists' groups waged and lost. The issue revolved around a small fee that artists wanted museums to pay them for the use of their pictures in exhibitions. The amount was small, but the museum directors realized that this idea of a rental fee was an organized attempt of the artists to seek economic security. Artists having economic security would not be very docile—and upon the docility of the artists rests the whole structure of museums' policies.

Meanwhile the Metropolitan is continuing its policy of purchasing the works of contemporary American artists. Among those honored were Aaron Bohrod, Raney Bennett and Raymond Brechin, who work from the Friday Galleries (Chicago) because a Negro friend of hers was refused admittance.

"Young Couple Wanted" Opens Here on Jan. 22  
"Young Couple Wanted" will open at Maxine Elliott's Theatre on Monday evening, Jan. 22, instead of on Thursday, Jan. 25, as previously announced. This is the Arthur Willmurt comedy being produced by Jerome Mayer and staged by Martin Gabel. Heading the cast are Arlene Francis, Hugh Marlowe and Lloyd Gough.

## Spain Themes At Recital By Maracci

Despite a solid day of rain, Carmelita Maracci played to standing room only at the opening of the yearly dance series at the uptown YMHA last Sunday. It was the writer's first opportunity to see this comet from out of the Far West, who has already been acclaimed as one of the most promising dancers of the generation. In general, her reputation is deserved, although it would be difficult for any artist to live up to the avalanche of acclaim with which Miss Maracci has been greeted.

The most popular numbers of the evening were the witty "Another Goyescas," the warmly compelling "Tiberian Folk Themes," the gently satirical "Carlotta Gristle in Retrospect" and "Two Caprices." "Live for the One Who Bore You" is a serious and interesting dance with a fine earthy quality. The members of Miss Maracci's group performed well in "Madrigal," although the content of the number is abstruse.

The new number presented on this occasion, "Spanish Epilogue," to music by Antonio Albanese, was, in essence, an expression of ascendant vitality. Danced with conviction, it yet presented a cleavage between the dancer and her group, so that the dance did not register as a whole, but only as parts. A more integrated choreographic relationship of the dancers—of group with soloist—would have removed this stumbling block to clarity.

Miss Maracci's greatest attributes, by first-sight judgment, lie in her tremendous vitality and in her fineness as a performer. She never muffs a single heel-beat or a crook of the finger, as her completely alive body dances from head to toe. Her own profound respect for her medium calls forth an answering respect from the observer. Her dancing is effectively theatrical, although she never throws herself or her subject matter at the audience. If she occasionally hurls a flower or a fan across the stage, it is only incidental to her vein of rich appreciation, subtle understanding and friendly comment on life.

M. D.

## His Writings Changed The Course of History

Millions Turn to Books by and About Lenin on the Sixteenth Anniversary of His Death

The month of January, the month in which, sixteen years ago, V. I. Lenin was laid to rest, mourned by more millions than ever mourned the death of any other man, is a month dedicated to the world over to the special study of the life and works of the leader of the great Socialist Revolution of 1917 and the founder of the Communist International.

In countless meetings in every part of the globe this month workers, farmers and progressive people of all classes are honoring his memory by discussing the problems of today and tomorrow in the light of the principles of the class struggle, which he developed, building on the foundations laid by Marx and Engels.

The literature for this purpose is very rich. In Joseph Stalin's words, "Leninism is Marxism of the era of imperialism and of the proletarian revolution." The life and writings of Lenin are naturally the main source for the study and understanding of the principles of Leninism.

## Biographies of Lenin

About Lenin the man, there are a number of excellent biographies and memoirs: a full length biography, "The Life of Lenin," by A. Kerensky, and the shorter "Life and Teachings of Lenin" by R. Palme Dutt.

Nadeshda K. Krupskaya, Lenin's widow, wrote "Memories of Lenin," in two volumes; Maxim Gorky wrote "Days with Lenin," and Clara Zetkin, the German revolutionary leader, wrote "Reminiscences of Lenin." Each of these is rich in reports of Lenin's ideas on social and cultural questions as well as on his political and theoretical work.

Almost all of Lenin's writings have appeared in English, notably in the twelve volumes of "Selected

special problems of particular groups. "Lenin on the Jewish Question" and "Lenin Speaks to the Youth" are among these. His book, "Lenin on Britain," contains all his writings dealing with British imperialism, and with the struggles for liberation of the people of Ireland, India, etc., so timely today.

His book, "The Russian Revolution," containing "The Eve of October" and "The Road to Power," as well as the most essential writings of both Lenin and Stalin on this historic subject is another monument to his genius. In addition Lenin wrote extensively on the theory of dialectical and historical materialism. Among these we find the recently-published "Theoretical Principles of Marxism," which is Volume 11 of his "Selected Works." This book contains his complete work, "Materialism and Empirio-Criticism," one of the volumes of his "Collected Works."

Lenin Memorial Month, when numerous meetings and forums will take place throughout the country to honor his memory, should be an occasion for the further distribution and study of the great writings which he left to the world as the leader and teacher of the first Socialist Revolution in October, 1917. These books and pamphlets are available in all Workers and Progressive Bookshops. A complete list will be mailed upon request by Workers Library Publishers, P.O. Box 148, Station D, N.Y.C.



Lenin during a period of exile. From a painting by a Soviet artist.

Works" which contain all the most important of his books, articles and speeches, and in the eight volumes of his "Collected Works."

## Joseph Stalin on Lenin

Perhaps the greatest testament to the permanent and enduring character of Lenin's contributions was given to the world by Joseph Stalin, his closest co-worker, whose two volumes on "Leninism," containing his basic studies of "Foundations of Leninism," and "Problems of Leninism," are an essential part of the arsenal of classic Marxist-Leninist literature. It was Stalin who, after Lenin's death, summed up his mighty achievements in his speech, "The Lenin Heritage," pledging to fulfill the bequest left by Lenin to the Bolshevik Party and the advanced international proletariat.

## Writings on Jewish Question

Lenin's "Letter to American Workers" exerted a profound influence in rallying the aid of the American working class to the cause of the October Revolution. The recent new and improved editions of two of his works, "Left Wing Communism: An Infantile Disorder," and "Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism," serve again to confirm his role as guide and teacher of the workers of all countries in the struggle to emancipate themselves from capitalist exploitation. Especially today, with the second imperialist war already raging, his writings on war and on the opportunities of Social Democracy which has perpetrated a whole series of treacherous betrayals of the working-class, should be read and studied. "The War and the Second International," "State and Revolution," "The Proletarian Revolution and Renegade Kautsky," are only a few of the titles in the Little Lenin Library Series, available at low cost, which are of especial value today.

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## Music Notes

The Young People's Concerts of the Philharmonic-Symphony Society, temporarily cancelled after the death of Ernest Schelling, will be resumed under the direction of Rudolph Ganz on Saturday morning, January 20, at Carnegie Hall, with a Schelling Memorial Concert. Mr. Ganz, in addition to conducting the performance and explaining the music to the children with the aid of stereoscopic slides, will also appear as pianist in the Chopin Valse in A flat major. A second soloist will be Jacques Gordon who will be heard in the Finale from Schelling's Violin Concerto. Two other works of Ernest Schelling will figure on the program: the Introduction from the Suite Varise, and the "Victory Ball" which will end the concert.

## Art Notes

The Metropolitan Museum of Art announces its purchase of Aaron Bohrod's painting "Farm Houses" from the artist's recent one-man exhibition at the Associated American Artists' Galleries at 711 Fifth Ave. New York, for its permanent collection of contemporary American art. Mr. Bohrod's painting, together with other recent acquisitions, were placed on exhibition at the Museum on Sunday.

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## Paying Tribute to the Greatest Pass Receiver Of All Time—Don Hutson!

"Only a Passer Can Really Appreciate  
Him," Marvels Davey O'Brien After  
2 Men Fail to Hold Him

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15 (UP).—A total of 55 men engaged in the football game here yesterday in which the Green Bay Packers defeated an all star team chosen from the other nine clubs in the national professional league by a score of 16 to 7.

But only one man—just one—was the difference between victory and defeat for the Packers.

His name is Hutson—Don Hutson, the old Alabama boy who ran Stanford crazy in the Rose Bowl a few years ago.

Hutson is the greatest pass receiver who ever lived. He is the only man who ever played who could have made the Venus de Milo a reputation as a pass receiver. All a back has to do is to get the ball in the air and Hutson will catch it. It was his catch of a 65 yard forward that sealed the doom of the all star team. From back of the goal line Cecil Isbell wound up and let the football fly. With two all-star defenders by his side Hutson raced down the middle of the field. On the All-Star 35-yard mark he looked upwards, stretched out his hands, pulled in the ball, and went on for a touchdown.

That was the score that broke the hopes of the All-Stars, and after the game was over all of them, from coach Steven Owen to the waterboy, paid Hutson tribute.

"There is no defending Hutson," Owen said. "We put two men on him, just as every other team in the league does, and two men aren't enough. He's a genius."

Davey O'Brien, one of the greatest passers of all time and a man who appreciates men who can catch the ball, had this to say of Hutson: "You'd have to be a passer to appreciate Don. On that long one yesterday he judged it so beautifully. When he went past midfield he stole a peak and saw he was ahead of the ball. So he slowed

down, slowed down so slowly the defenders wouldn't notice it. Then, all of a sudden he went into high gear, swept away from them, and took the ball in full wide open stride on the 35-yard line. Watching him you realize what a difference there is between good receivers and great ones."

McNeil, generally accepted as the greatest football player in the National League, urged that full credit be given Hutson. "No one has ever set a defense that can stop him," McNeil said. "He is a specialist, and every one knows it. He is not very good on defense and he is not very good as a blocker. We all know that he can shoot right at him. But what good does it do? He takes wing-backs, tailbacks, and anything we put on him and he makes monkeys of them. He is so fast, so sure, so imaginative, so cunning that he outwits all defense. And mind you, in requiring so much attention, he makes everybody else on his club better than they really are. When you play Green Bay you have to play them with nine men, because two of your players have to devote their entire attention to Hutson."

Everyone one of the All-Stars agreed with Owen, O'Brien and McNeil. There was not a member of the squad who did not say that Hutson was in a class by himself, and that without him the Packers would be just an ordinary second rate team. This, mind you, despite the fact that the Packers have such players as Clark Hinkle, Arnie Herber, and Cecil Isbell.

The All-Stars produced some fine plays. O'Brien was great. So were Johnny Drake, Kim Poole, and half a dozen others. But they were all overshadowed by a long and lanky boy who just knows one thing—to reach his hands toward heaven and yank that football down.

## Off the Backboard

The St. John's-Purdum tilt at the Ram gym tomorrow night would be a natural for the Garden. It's a traditional and always a hotly-contested affair. Last year the Ram didn't have much on the ball but stuck all the way with classier St. John's, which later won a spot in the National Tourney.

And this season the Rams have moved way up with that classy gang of sophs getting hotter with every game. Little Rizzo sets 'em up prettily and Dick Fitzgerald is a dead shot from almost any angle. Johnny Carroll and Dick Sherry are the other sophs who have brought the Maroon out of the court doldrums. With vet Clint Quattrone fully recovered from a leg injury and ready to put in a full game, Fordham is plenty dangerous.

Still St. John's is a slight but proper favorite. The Redmen sport the best defense in town as well as a widely-varied attack. Joe Lapchick's boys found themselves since tiny Tommy Baer moved in as a big play-making assist to Dutch Garfinkle. Tommy got his first starting chance against Niagara's strong upstate five last night. Off his great showing against Temple last week, Tommy's a cinch.

Too bad they didn't figure this one for the Garden. But Sonja's cutting ice capers at the Garden this week and the booking couldn't be shifted.

Another unfortunate omission in the Garden program is the Brooklyn quintet. With high-scoring Julie Kassner ranking with the city's best, the Kingsmen have a real team this year. Rate better right now than CCNY and about on a par with St. Francis, which is just beginning to capitalize on its wealth of fine material.

The Oklahoma Aggies have hooped out in front of the Missouri Valley race. . . the smart team which showed so well here against CCNY is rated a flinch in strong conference. . . Purdue and Michigan are surprise leaders. . . Indiana is still favored despite an off-night two-point upset by Min-

## WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and Sunday Worker are 25c per line (6 words to a line—3 lines minimum). DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday, 5 P.M. Friday.

### Tonight

JOSEPH NORTH editor New Masses, speaks on "The World Today" 2015 W. 37th St., Coney Island, 9 P.M. A. C. Buege.

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FOURTH ANNUAL Entertainment-Dance, Teachers Union No. 455, Mecca Temple, Sat., Jan. 20th, Ralph Hayes Orchestra, Allstar Players. Admission 80c in advance. Tickets at bookshop.

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# SPORTS DAILY WORKER SPORTS

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WE REPEAT 2-1  
That the Yankees  
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## 'JIM CROW WILL BE LICKED,' -- ARMSTRONG

### Ex-Tigers Swamped With Job Offers

Everybody's After McCoy, Trout and Cullenbine  
—A's Innocent Victims of Landis Bombshell—  
Giants, Dodgers, Yanks Top Talent Mob-Hunt

DETROIT, Jan. 15.—While the Tigers frantically start a more ethical rebuilding job, baseball men here estimate that the club dropped a cool half-million in the sweeping chain-busting bombshell burst by Judge Keneaw Landis yesterday. Meanwhile the five players declared free agents jubilantly began to pile up offers for their services. Although there can be no deals until Jan. 29 according to the Landis edict, several clubs are already dickering for the services of second baseman Benny McCoy, outfielder Roy Cullenbine and pitcher Dizzy Trout. They all came through as rookies last year, Trout getting a rep as a Yankee-killer by beating the champs twice.

Innocent loser in the sweeping smash-up of the million-dollar Tiger organization was Connie Mack. Connie had already secured McCoy and pitcher Silk Coffman for the Athletics in exchange for outfielder Wally Moses. The Landis ruling automatically voided the deal. Now Connie will have to bid with the money men for McCoy's services and it isn't likely that the smooth-fielding youngster is anxious to hook up with a club that's completely out of the picture in the series rake-offs.

With Cleveland and the Chicago Cubs out of the bidding because of their illegal contacting of McCoy and Cullenbine before the ruling, there's a strong possibility that either or both will wind up with the Giants. The Dodgers, still totting an outfield problem despite the twelve outer-gardeners on the roster, are gunning for Cullenbine. There isn't a club in either league that couldn't use Trout but the word is out that the Yanks want him. If that's so then it's all over but the signing. There's no out-bidding the Yanks.

The other two released Tigers, kid pitchers Steve Rachunok and Lloyd Dyes have also attracted offers from several clubs.

### Packers Prove They're Class Of Grid World

Hutson Star of Victory  
Over Pro All-Stars  
on Coast

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15 (UP).—The national champion Green Bay Packers, who utterly disregarded one of football's oldest passing axioms, were hailed as the greatest football machine in the country today after humbling the National League All Stars, 16 to 7.

Although the Packers didn't need the touchdown and never were seriously threatened, they demonstrated one of the most brilliant and daring plays seen in years on either professional or intercollegiate gridiron.

Cecil Isbell, former Purdue star, while the clock was ticking off the final seconds of the first half, stepped into the shadows of the Packers' own goal post and threw the pass that even story writers have never described.

It streaked 67 yards as if fired from a gun and settled into the arms of a racing former Alabama end—Don Hutson. Hutson folded his arms about the ball and sped unopposed across the All Stars' goal line. Ernie Smith booted the conversion and the gun barked at the end of the half the Packers were out in front, 13 to 0.

The mighty Packers, whose total score consisted of three field goals and a touchdown, took the lead early when Clark Hinkle kicked a field goal from All Stars' 45-yard line in itself a feat. Then, leading 3 to 0, the Green Bay Machine stalled on the Stars' 11 yard stripe, and Smith dropped back to the 18 and kicked another field goal.

In the third period, the stars put on a brief exhibition of fancy running and scored their only tally. Tiny Davey O'Brien, a David among an army of Goliaths, led his team through an almost impenetrable line of Giants to the six yard line. Then he loosed a sizzling pass to Joe Carter in the end zone. Ward Cuff converted.

The Packers put down the up-rising in short order, and Smith kicked his second field goal to round out the total 16 points.

A capacity crowd of 18,000 saw the game, postponed a week because of rain. The day was warm and skies were clear.

## Along Fistic Row

What figures to be the best small club fight of the season is slated for the Coliseum tonight.

Dave Castillo, Canadian double-champ who is rated right up there behind Peley Scalo as number two featherweight, faces Charley Gomer, who is sporting an eighteen fight winning streak in the top eight-round number. And it should be a sizzler with the Johnny Bellus-Maurice Arnauld scrap a good eight-round semi.

Castillo comes up for his local debut with a fine record. He's fast, smart and a good puncher. Dave picked a tough one for his N. Y. unveiling. Gomer is a heavy ring

master who has never gotten a break. A win for either tonight means an open sesame into the upper brackets of the scramble for a shot at Lou Ambers' title.

Picking Gomer who evidently has gotten over the blow-hot-blow-cold habit which marred his earlier performances. Bellus is the choice to out-slug the rugged Arnauld.

Old Mike Bellows may get in trouble in spots against Bernie Friedman in the feature eight at the Broadway tonight, but the former teacher camp's all-around class should pull him through.

### Won't Fight For Jim Crow Promoters!



"NEGRO BOYS are good enough to send to war," says World's Champ Henry Armstrong. "So how come the Legion doesn't think they're good enough to fight in the Hollywood Stadium? I won't fight Garcia under their auspices."

## Office Workers Cop 1st Half Labor Title

By Sam Blender

The Trade Union A. A. Basketball split-season tournament was climaxed last Saturday night at the Labor Sport Center when the United Office Workers nosed out the Furriers Joint Council 33 to 27 for the League "A" title; the Fur Merchants, Local 64 defeated the Fur Floor Boys 18 to 14 for the League "B" crown, and the United Wholesale and Warehousemen downed the Cleaners and Dyers in a battle for third place in "A" 27 to 24.

Labor basketball fans will not soon forget these three games. From beginning to end in all three, the battles were waged at a break neck clip and the thrilling plays came one after another as Labor staged a show of power vs. power that would have done credit to a packed Garden.

The Office Workers took the lead on the first play when Letsky scored from the side "Little" Fields of the Furriers came right back with an equalizer. Weinfuss sank a set shot to give the Furriers the lead but Wallach sank a one hander and near the end of the first quarter tallied with both free shots for a 6-4 first quarter lead.

In the 2nd period the Office Workers really began to move when Wallach dropped two one-handers, Miller a lay-up and Hollander a field goal and foul shot while all the Furriers could get was a foul by Stecwitz and a two-pointer by Graham for a 15 to 7 deficit.

In the third period the Furriers went to work. Fields became a demon on the court. His defensive play took him all over the court and he scored 4 more points on two nice shots. Feuer came into the game with a long one and Stecwitz sank another from mid-court meanwhile holding the Office Five to one field goal by Miller and whittling their lead down to 17-15.

Then came that big last quarter. The Office Workers started moving the ball and making good all their scoring chances. Mucha scored 4 points, Wallach was good for 6 points, Letsky got 4 and Miller 2. All in this frame. The Furriers were busy too. Feuer came through with 3 long distance baskets, Hirsch a neat lay-up and Stecwitz dropped two more from way out but no team

## Champ Tells Why He Won't Fight for Legion

Sees Eventual Victory Over Discrimination in Baseball Too—Will Definitely Retire From Ring This Year

By Lester Rodney

"No, I'm not going to fight Garcia or anybody else out there under the auspices of the Legion while they discriminate against members of my race in Hollywood as they do."

Henry Armstrong, welterweight champion of the world and former feather and lightweight champ, pulled off his gloves in the small dressing room in the Roxy gymnasium.

He had just finished a long workout for next week's title defense against Pedro Montanez at the Garden. Soft spoken as always, the intelligent young Negro from St. Louis who wanted to be a surgeon, writes good poetry, and broke all fistic precedence to win three world titles in the ring was still emphatic.

"We're all Americans and we all should have an equal chance in everything. I think my people have shown that they have plenty to contribute if given the equal opportunity they deserve."

Henry said this last a little proudly. In his dynamic climb to three world's championships and fame he has always been conscious of the fact that in some small measure his feats have been an inspiration, and hence a help, to the millions of Negro Americans whose talents and hopes are beaten down by discrimination.

TURNDOWN JIM CROW

PROMOTER THREE YEARS AGO

Three years ago he turned down a lucrative bid to fight for a Chicago promoter who segregated Negro fans in Jim Crow bleachers. The Garcia fight would be a tremendous attraction on the Coast and be more lucrative for Armstrong than any fight he's had in years.

"You know," he said smiling softly, "when I came out this morning the people of Harlem all seemed to want to shake my hand for my statement on this thing. It was a real thrill. I guess they like to see that one of them who gets up to the top has never forgotten their extra burdens, even though he's gotten a break."

### SEES VICTORY

He was glad to see the story on page one of the Daily Worker. "It's good to see it displayed in other than the Negro press. They play it up big, of course, but somehow it never seems to get its adequate treatment in the big papers."

What did he think of the fight

second half and after five minutes the score was knotted at 14 all. Again the score was tied at 16 points and then the Warehousemen took the lead never to relinquish it. The games high scorer was Feldman of the Cleaners with 10 points. Washington was close with 7 and Arginsky turned in a nice first game with 5. For the winners, Levy who only played one half, garnered 6 points while Levine and Rothfeld contributed 5. Rower sparked afield and scored 4.

Each team felt the absence of their high scorers when Stewart of the Cleaners and Klein of the Warehousemen couldn't play because of illness. The closeness of all three games attests to the balanced strength in the TUAA. Our failure to pick a single winner shows how tough it is to pick 'em in this competition.

### WILL RETIRE THIS YEAR

"Very definite," he answered. "This is my last year in the ring. Just a few more fights and I'll retire. And then I'm going to write. I've about finished my book, "Down the Glory Road", but I've gotten some good constructive criticism on it and Harry and I are working over it. But I'll have to wait till I hang up the gloves to really do a job on it."

Henry said he still suffered a bit from his cold of last month. He's susceptible to them, but may risk a night out to catch Paul Robeson, another great Negro athlete whose feats are down in the book of sportsdom's immortals, in a performance of John Henry.

As to next week's fight, he doesn't underestimate Montanez, but expects to win in a close battle. He looked extremely sharp in his four fast workout rounds yesterday. His hands are sound again and he's hitting like the "Hurricane Henry" of two years ago. And when he hangs up his gloves sometime this year, you can rest assured that he'll hit just as hard and true from the typewriter.

## LITTLE LEFTY

